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UK POLICE ARREST KING CHARLES' BROTHER IN 'MISCONDUCT' PROBE

Andrew Mountbatten-Windsor was arrested by UK police on Thursday for misconduct in public office following revelations from Epstein files

ACCUSED OF FORWARDING GOVT REPORTS

According to the Epstein emails release, Andrew was accused of forwarding government reports from official visits to the American sex offender and financier, who died in a New York prison in August 2019. As Duke of York, Andrew, 66, had served as UK's trade envoy between 2001 and 2011, travelling globally and having privileged access to government

NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW, SAYS BRITISH PM

- British Prime Minister Keir Starmer issued a statement after Andrew's arrest stating that there is no individual who is placed above the law
- Once a high-flyer, Andrew had been stripped of all his royal titles of Prince and Duke of York by the King last year. In several news bytes to press, he has consistently denied any wrongdoing | P14

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WHEN ANDREW WAS JAILED FOR 11 MONTHS OVER EPSTEIN LINKS

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SC slams states over freebies ahead of polls

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Thursday slammed the freebies and subsidies culture ahead of elections and said it was "high time" to revisit such policies that hamper the country's economic development.

Observing that the ultimate financial burden of such populist measures falls on taxpayers, a bench headed by Chief Justice Surya Kant said, "But this money which the State says it will pay now... Who will pay for it? This is taxpayers' money."

The observations were made during the hearing of a petition filed by the Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation Limited which proposed to give free electricity to all consumers irrespective of paying capacity.

"It is understandable when some people cannot afford, you have to provide. But the persons who ... are affluent ... is it not high time to revisit these policy frameworks?" the CJI asked.

The bench, also comprising justices Joymalya Bagchi and Vipul M Pancholi, said state governments should generate employment, make roads and hospitals instead of freebies.

Need democratised and human-centric AI: Modi

PM says India does not fear AI but sees future and fortune in it

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

ARTIFICIAL intelligence (AI) must be democratised and should serve as a medium of inclusion and empowerment, especially in the Global South, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Thursday.

Speaking at the formal opening ceremony of the India AI Impact Summit 2026 here, Modi said some countries think AI should be developed in a confidential manner but India believes the codes should be shared for the common good.

As for the potential job disruptions, Modi said AI will also create new employment avenues, though it is difficult to predict what kinds of jobs will emerge. He observed that there are two kinds of people—those who fear AI and those who see future in it.

Stressing that India does not fear AI, Modi unveiled the MANAV vision for AI, where M stands for moral and ethical systems, A for accountable governance, N for national sovereignty, A for accessible and inclusive, and V for valid and legitimate.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi with Google CEO Sundar Pichai, OpenAI CEO Sam Altman and others during the India AI Impact Summit 2026 | PTI

RIL to invest ₹10L cr in AI over seven yrs

Reliance Industries chairman Mukesh Ambani announced a ₹10 lakh crore investment in AI over the next seven years to connect every Indian citizen, business, and government service to AI

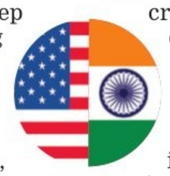
He further said that AI will open higher-value, creative, and meaningful roles for more people, creating opportunities for innovation, entrepreneurship, and new industries. "AI will make work smarter, more efficient, and more impactful, enabling better design, faster building, and improved decision-making," said Modi.

The event was attended by AI leaders including OpenAI CEO Sam Altman, Google CEO Sundar Pichai, RIL chairman Mukesh Ambani, Anthropic CEO Dario Amodei, Microsoft's Brad Smith, Google DeepMind CEO Demis Hassabis, Accenture CEO Julie Sweet, and Meta's Alexandr Wang, among others. P11,15

India set to join Pax Silica today

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

INDIA is set to join US-led strategic alliance Pax Silica on Friday, marking a major step in New Delhi's evolving technology and economic partnership with Washington.



Sources said India's entry into the initiative, which is aimed at building resilient supply chains for critical minerals and AI, is expected to be formalised at the India AI Impact Summit.

Launched in December 2025, Pax Silica seeks to establish a secure, innovation-driven ecosystem from raw materials and critical minerals to semiconductors and AI infrastructure.

US Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs Jacob Helberg is currently in India and is expected to attend the formalisation event on Friday alongside senior Indian officials and US Ambassador to India Sergio Gor.

As a member of the BRICS grouping, India's decision to align with a US-led economic security framework is strategically significant.

Current members of Pax Silica include Australia, Greece, Israel, Japan, Qatar, South Korea, Singapore, UAE, and UK. India's entry into Pax Silica signals a sharpening focus on technology-led economic security and a recalibration of its strategic alignments amid intensifying global competition over AI and critical resources.

PWD min: 'Commission' in govt contracts will continue

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Belagavi

IGNITING a debate over transparency in public contracting, Public Works Department Minister Satish Jarkiholi said the practice of offering "commissions" for government works "existed earlier, exists now and will continue in the future".

Responding to allegations that contractors pay commissions to secure government projects, the minister told reporters that the issue would be difficult to eliminate entirely.

He blamed the previous BJP government for the current financial burden faced by infrastructure departments.

Jarkiholi revealed that there was nearly Rs 12,000 crore in pending dues in his department when the present government assumed office. While Rs 3,000 crore has already been cleared, payments worth Rs 9,000 crore are still pending.

"Development works cannot be stopped. Contractors naturally participate in tenders where they feel comfortable," he said. CONTINUED ON: P4

EXPRESS READ

350-km 'green wall' to check desertification

Bengaluru: The Karnataka State Policy and Planning Commission has recommended that the state government construct a 350-km 'green wall' in North Karnataka, from Belagavi to Bidar, covering five districts to check expansion of desertification | P4

T20 HIT-WAVE ICC MEN'S T20 WORLD CUP

Today's Match **7pm:** Australia vs Oman (Pallekele)

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- **Friday:** 20.02.2026
- **Year:** Vishwavasu
- **Ayana:** Uttharayana
- **Ritu:** Sishir
- **Masa:** Phalguna
- **Paksha:** Sukla
- **Tithi:** Thrutheeya 3.22 pm
- **Nakshatra:** Uttharabhadra 9.02 pm
- **Moon in Mesha Rashi**
- **Rahukaala:** 10:30 am to 12:00 pm
- **Gulikakala:** 07:30 am to 09:00 am
- **Yamaganda:** 01:30 pm to 03:00 pm

WEATHER

MIN 16°C | MAX 31°C

FORECAST Mostly sunny

Sunrise	06.40 am
Sunset	06.26 pm
Moonrise	08.28 am
Moonset	09.00 pm

A garbage collection auto tipper makes the rounds of a residential area after Bellahalli villagers call off the stir | VINOD KUMAR T

GARBAGE STIR ENDS AS STATE GOVT OFFERS SPECIAL PACKAGE FOR LANDFILL AREAS

Approval for ₹350cr given for projects to develop these localities

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

NAMMA Bengaluru's garbage issue appears to have been resolved for now with people of Bellahalli and nearby areas in Byatarayanapura assembly constituency ending their agitation against Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Limited (BSWML) following an assurance to develop their areas and provide all amenities.

According to a senior official from BSWML, administrative approval for release of Rs 350 crore has been given to implement development projects in Yeshwanthpur, Byatrayanapura, Mahadevapura, Bengaluru South and Anekal assembly constituencies.

Areas, including Mithaganahalli, Kannur, Bidarahalli and Bellahalli in Byatarayanapura and Mahadevapura assembly constituencies, Kannahalli and Seegehalli in Yeshwanthpur, Chiguranahalli in Doddaballapur, Chikkanagamangala in Anekal and Hulhalli and Lakshmipura in Mantapa and Hulimangala panchayats in Bengaluru South will be developed.

He said Rs 90 crore each has been allocated to Yeshwanthpur, Byatarayanapura and Mahadevapura. Similarly, Rs 50 crore for Anekal, Rs 20 crore for Bengaluru South and Rs 10 crore for Doddaballapur will be given for basic infrastructure works in areas where garbage processing plants or dump sites are located. "Tenders have to be invited for works such as roads, drains, footpaths, installation of electric poles, improvement of lakes, and drilling of borewells to be taken up immediately in these areas," the official said.

Hemanth Kumar of Kogilu Cross near Bellahalli said people there are frustrated over the delay in implementation of basic infrastructure projects.

Over 200 trucks carrying garbage were not allowed to enter the dump sites at Kannur and Bellahalli by locals, who have been protesting against the neglect of their areas. With the protesters deciding to continue their agitation, the civic officials invited them to a meeting on Wednesday evening.

At the meeting, the protesters were assured of all amenities and administrative approval for release of Rs 350 crore, including Rs 90 crore each for villages between Byatrayanapura and Mahadevapura assembly constituencies was announced. "Hence, we decided to end our agitation," Hemanth Kumar said.

Meanwhile, A Narayanswamy from Kannur said that a delegation from Mitganahalli, Bidrahalli and Kannur will soon meet Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar and persuade him to implement development projects in their areas at the earliest.

"In the past, similar protests were held by people living on the outskirts of Bengaluru against dumping of garbage and neglecting development activities in their areas. They ended their protest only after their demands were met by the civic officials," a resident of Bidrahalli said.

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>
> — Senior official from BSWML

KSTDC wants KGA to allow corporate nominees to play league tourneys

BANSY KALAPPA @ BENGALURU

A CONTROVERSY has erupted at Karnataka Golf Association (KGA) after a government-run tourism body urged the elite club to relax its rules and allow corporate nominees to participate in its flagship Karnataka Premier League (KPL), triggering unease among long-standing members. The seventh edition of KPL, which teed off on February 6 and features 432 golfers across 24 teams competing over four weekends, is widely regarded as one of India's most successful club-level golf leagues. But the tournament is now overshadowed by this intervention.

At the centre of the row is a letter from the managing director of Karnataka State Tourism Development Corporation (KSTDC), which "strongly recommended" that the Association permit nominees of corporate associates -- currently a non-voting, time-bound membership category -- to take part in club tournaments, including KPL.

KGA's existing Rule 12.12.15 explicitly bars such nominees from participating in inter-club and club competitions. An amendment to revisit this restriction had been scheduled for discussion at a special general meeting on February 5, but the meeting was called off on technical grounds.

Despite acknowledging the rule, the KSTDC letter termed the exclusion of corporate nominees as "discriminatory" and argued that corporate entities contribute significantly to Karnataka's industrial and tourism ecosystem. This has not gone down well with many members.

"How does allowing corporate nominees to play in a local golf club tournament further tourism?" asked one member. Others suggested that corporate participation could instead be accommodated through promotional golf festivals rather than regular club tournaments. Members also stressed that any rule change must be approved by the Association's general body and cannot be implemented through external pressure.

KSTDC Managing Director Prashant K Mishra said, "The KGA land belongs to KSTDC, and has been leased to KGA by the government. We received a letter from some associates who said they were not being allowed to play, and complained of stepmotherly treatment. I have written to them to consider their request," he said.

The episode has stirred debate within the club over autonomy, governance, and whether associates can be allowed to participate in events, particularly when many aspirants wait years for full membership at the prestigious association.

EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

IFTAR SIT-DOWN

Muslims pray before breaking their fast on the first day of Ramzan at Masjid al-Nur on Thursday | VINOD KUMAR T

BWSSB chief Manohar to join global advisory group

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Smart Water Networks (SWAN) Forum, a leading global voice for the smart water sector, has announced the formation of its 5th Senior Utility Advisory Group (UAG), and Ram Prasath Manohar, Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) chairman, has been selected to join this elite global committee.

Notably, Manohar is the only utility leader from India appointed to this cohort. He joins five other global smart water experts representing utilities from Australia, Canada, Portugal, Brazil and US.

Advancing India's Smart Water Vision on a global stage, the selected UAG members will collaborate to explore concrete utility challenges, uncover regional trends, and identify strategic research priorities. Chosen for their extensive industry contributions, this cohort will support SWAN's future planning and review global initiatives, a release stated.

Speaking on his appointment, Ram Prasath Manohar stated, "BWSSB has successfully adopted world-class, AI-driven technologies to elevate the city's infrastructure. I personally resonate with the vision of SWAN and look forward to working closely with the UAG to drive practical solutions to the complex water challenges we face today."

EXPRESS READ

Manoranjan Pradhan takes charge as RWF GM

Manoranjan Pradhan assumed charge as general manager of Rail Wheel Factory, Bengaluru, on Wednesday. Prior to this assignment, Pradhan served as principal chief materials manager at Integral Coach Factory, Perambur, Chennai. He began his professional career with Tata Motors before joining Indian Railways, serving in key positions across railway establishments. He was divisional railway manager, Kharagpur, and held important assignments in addition to his tenure at ICF. He took over from U Subba Rao, GM/ICF, who held concurrent charge as general manager, RWF. **ENS**

Changing preferences: IHM intake drops; ST seats remain unfilled

GAYATHRI M KURUP @ Bengaluru

ADMISSIONS to the Institute of Hotel Management, Bangalore, have seen a noticeable dip in the years following the Covid-19 pandemic, reflecting changing career preferences and structural shifts in hospitality education. The decline, though, has raised concerns about access for students from remote regions, and filling of reserved category seats.

Against an annual intake of 271 seats, enrolment dropped from 265 in 2023 to 253 in 2024, and further to 246 in 2025. The gap is more pronounced among Scheduled Tribe (ST) candidates, with only six of 21 reserved seats filled in 2025.

Pramod Naick, head of Department of Food and Beverage Service and Rooms division, said the pandemic continues to shape career decisions. "During Covid-19, the hospitality sector saw massive job losses. Modest starting salaries and long working hours make the field less attractive compared to other sectors, and has led to fewer students enrolling," he said, adding that these perceptions may take years to fade.

He also noted a growing tilt towards private institutions. "Students can receive similar education, exposure and opportunities at government colleges like IHM, at nearly one-fourth the fees charged by private institutions," Naick said.

Principal D Venkatesan expressed concern over unfilled Scheduled Tribe (ST) seats and stressed the need for targeted outreach. "Over the past two years, several reserved seats have remained vacant. We plan to write to district collectors in tribal and remote areas to sponsor eligible candidates and spread awareness about our courses," he said.

TOTAL ST SEATS PER YEAR (2023-2025) **21**

Year	Seats filled	Vacant seats
2023	12	9
2024	10	11
2025	6	15

TOTAL INTAKE AT IHM BENGALURU (2023–2025) **271**

Year	Seats Filled	Vacant Seats
2023	265	6
2024	253	18
2025	246	25

He added that the institute is engaging with school principals, conducting awareness programmes, and exploring campus visits. "If students from remote districts can visit the campus and see the infrastructure and opportunities, it may encourage greater participation," Venkatesan said.

Naick emphasised that the decline cannot be attributed to a single cause. "The opening of hospitality institutes in states like Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh has allowed students to study closer home. Many prefer institutions in their own regions rather than travelling far," he said. He added that institutes in the Northeast are typically filled by local tribal students, reducing outstation enrolment. However, officials expect more students from tribal populations in Karnataka and other South Indian states too to actively enrol.

Officials believe the challenge is not merely to fill seats, but to ensure they reach students who aspire to join the field -- including many who remain unaware of the course and the profession. With targeted outreach, greater awareness in rural areas, and a shift in perception that recognises government institutions as providers of quality education, such opportunities and gateways can be better accessed and utilised by deserving students.

Horoscopes By Holiday

HOLIDAY MATHIS

20th February : The Price Rarely do people stumble into their meaningful goals and values. Beautiful ideals are more commonly hard-won. Dreams demand their sacrifice, and that's the theme of this conjunction of Saturn and Neptune. The hard work you put in only makes the outcome sweeter, giving form to what once lived only in longing.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
It used to feel weird to witness the one who seemed to have it all and act like you weren't inwardly comparing yourself. Now you'll notice you're over it. You actually enjoy the inspiration. It sparks ideas. You try things.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 - May 20)
You do not need approval to proceed, but don't let that stop you from sharing. People will love being in on your process. This is how bonds are made. When they feel they've have been in on your plans from the start, future rewards will be wonderful for many.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21)
A possession takes more time than you want to give. It's your cue to make a change. It's not about upgrading or downsizing but about finding the balance of maintenance to benefit that fits the rest of your life.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)
This week you're less like the naturally and brilliantly defended crab and more like a snail, half inside your house and half out, as comfortable as you are vulnerable. In this state, any number of things could happen. You could receive a message on the wind, learn a new pleasure or pain, or fall in love.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)
You can build bonds through work or play. The work will be easier today though because structure is built in. The rules and expected outcomes are a natural environment for getting to know people and building trust, and you'll do both.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
Whatever you most want from the day can happen if you're willing to make everything else wait while you put all your focus into priority No. 1. It's going to take more than a statement of intent. You may have to go somewhere no one will bother you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)
Like other kinds of ailments, healing times vary for wounds of the spiritual heart. The important thing is that you know you can bounce back, like you have before. So you also know that love is worth the risk.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)
Winning isn't everything. Having the highest score isn't always for the highest good for all. You'll assess the game from a different vantage today and consider ways to "win" that hadn't occurred to you before.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
Neatness doesn't automatically improve the substance of work. A messy but brilliant idea is still brilliant. But today, presentation will make your work user-friendly and strongly influence the number of people who engage with it. So all your efforts to polish will pay you back.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
Novelty can be a pleasure, but pleasure isn't always about novelty. Today's self-care will involve returning to your familiar favorite things. What tops your list is no accident. You've tried a lot of different things to find out what you like.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
Busyness is to importance as distraction is to the "ta-da" in a magic trick. They look connected. Maybe they are; maybe it's smoke and mirrors. Either way, the kind of busyness that counts? Being there for the people who need you.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - Mar 20)
You've known that kind of inspiration that feels like a lightning strike from the clouds. This time it's very different. Intuition comes up from the ground, energizing you while you work. It's like you're suddenly plugged in.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle ⬇

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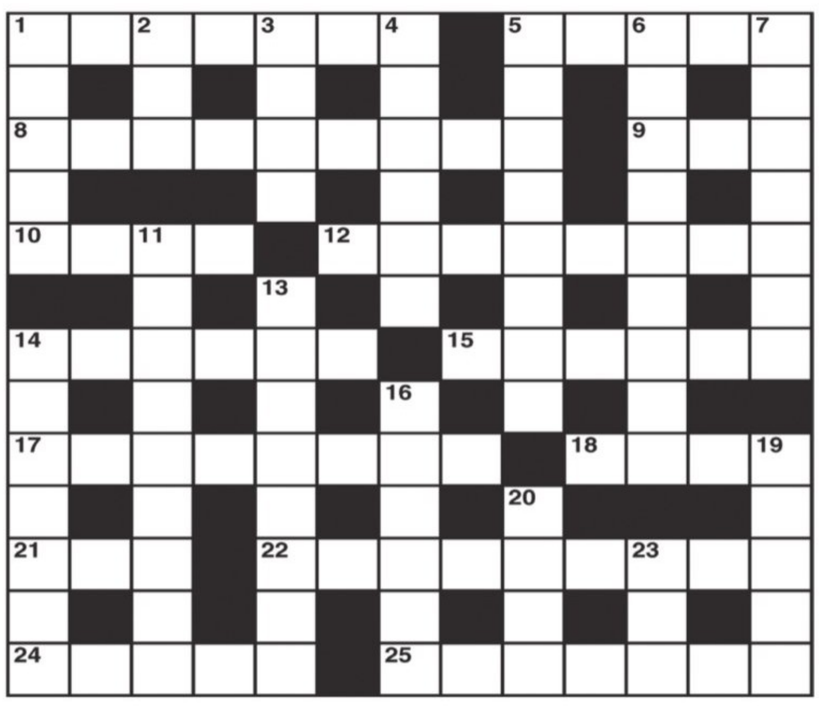

CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 Moving spirits behind drug sales (7)
5 Those in favour have a point in writing (5)
8 When to take action in prison (5,4)
9 Recovered from a sudden attack (3)
10 It's heavy though possibly used as a light attachment (4)
12 Humiliating return from a summit meeting? (8)
14 A binding affair perhaps (6)
15 They're employed in a theatre or in religious work (6)
17 Just the same it means you had the right money (2,6)
18 Father to the French and mother to the Germans (4)
21 Some Africans have such charm (3)
22 Concerns financial gains (9)
24 Girl in New York becomes a nurse (5)
25 Division has FBI agents put outside (7)

DOWN

1 Plead controversially for one trodden underfoot (5)
2 It will be in most winter sportsmen's kit (3)
3 They're regularly shelled and may be beaten (4)
4 A gentleman wh goes after a lady (6)
5 Bearing gifts we hear vaguely (8)
6 A shade less well than usual? (3-6)
7 Holds out longer? (7)
11 It comes from a friend but also from a foe in fact (9)
13 There's much laughter when a girl swallows it (8)
14 Hit by a car, not at all well (3,4)
16 A new stage setting may include them (6)
19 Rising and descent of the sun cause disturbance (5)
20 Get up in turn and crow (4)
23 Prosecute for wrong use (3)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Exposure, 5 Opus, 9 Garbo, 10 Premier, 11 Working party, 13 Mishit, 14 Stamen, 17 Off the record, 20 Testate, 21 Lying, 22 Rash, 23 Playtime.

Down: 1 Edge, 2 Parsons, 3 Shook his head, 4 Repent, 6 Prior, 7 Spraying, 8 Despotically, 12 Impostor, 15 Martini, 16 Ordeal, 18 Fists, 19 Ogre.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: EVOKE COMMA ORIGIN GURNEY
Answer: At Santa's workshop, there was no shortage of — MERRYMAKING

The Kagwad police in Belagavi cracked a house theft case in Ugar Khurd within 10 days of registering the complaint. Two men from the same village were arrested and stolen valuables worth Rs 19 lakh were recovered. The arrested accused were identified as Yasin Nabisab Sutar (29) and Jamir Shaukat Ali Jamadar (37). The police seized 143 grams 27 ml of gold ornaments, 858 grams 44 ml of silver ornaments, and a scooty

Upa Lokayukta writes to top cop on DySP's conduct

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

VIEWING the conduct of Deputy Superintendent of Police (DySP) of Nagamangala sub-division in Mandya district, Cheluvaraju, seriously, Upa Lokayukta Justice B Veerappa directed the Director General and Inspector General of Police (DG & IGP) to enlighten him and other police officers about their role in the prevention of unauthorised transportation of minor minerals in the state.

Cheluvaraju had given an evasive reply to a suo motu complaint registered by the Upa Lokayukta against all officials concerned, in January this year over the killing of the driver of a tipper carrying boulders unauthorisedly in a deep gorge on December 26, 2025, in Nagamangala, where the quarry owner was carrying out illegal mining.

"The DySP has stated that he will act only on complaints made by the public or any other authorities, being an authorised officer. His attitude and statement should be deprecated, as he failed to discharge his duties in accordance with the Karnataka Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1994, and notifications. It is also astonishing that the registration number on the tipper lorry and its chassis number do not match each other, but the DySP's statement that he will act only on the complaints shows how he is discharging his duties...," Justice Veerappa stated in the order, which was also marked to Inspector General of Police, Southern Range, Mysuru, and Superintendent of Police and Deputy Commissioner, who is on the District Level Task Force Committee of Mandya, for ensuring compliance with various directions issued in the order.

The Upa Lokayukta also noted that, unfortunately, Cheluvaraju also stated that it is not his duty to prevent illegal mining, as the government intends to establish a separate panel for it. It is nothing but shirking of institutional responsibility by pointing out that the Department of Mines and Geology is the sole stakeholder in preventing it, though he is a duty-bound authorised officer, as notified by the state government in the notification dated January 21, 2014, to prevent the same. His statement is against the provisions of KMMC Rules and notifications, which itself is dereliction of duty, the Upa Lokayukta observed.

Upa Lokayukta seeks answers from DySP

1. How many police officers have been deputed in his sub-division to check minor minerals transport vehicles?
2. How many vehicles checked as provided under Rule 43(3) of KMMC Rules, with details of registration number of vehicles?
3. What are the action initiated for violations, if any, during the course of checks for unauthorised transportation of minor minerals under IPC/BNS?
4. How many vehicles without GPS illegally transport minor minerals, and seizure and report of such vehicles?
5. How many vehicles do not carry required documents as provided under Rule 43(2) of KMMC Rules?

WARM WELCOME

Netherlands Prime Minister Dick Schoof being welcomed by City Police Commissioner Seemanth Kumar Singh at KIA on Thursday

Woman killed in front of bedridden hubby

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A 68-year-old woman was murdered and robbed in front of her bedridden husband at their residence on Pete Beedhi within the Nelamangala Town police limits on Wednesday.

The crime came to light around 6.30 pm when a physiotherapist arrived for the husband's session and found him lying beside his wife's body. The deceased has been identified as Shobha, who lived with her husband, Ranganath. The couple had no children, and the husband had been bedridden for 12 years.

The accused, Shiva Kumar (35), a neighbour and wholesale shop owner, reportedly entered the house by asking for water. He then slit her throat and fled with gold ornaments weighing around 450 grams, including the ones the victim was wearing.

Investigations revealed that Kumar had a loan of Rs 8 lakh due to gambling. CCTV footage captured his movements, showing him entering the house around 1.03 pm. When the police arrived, the accused was near the scene and was later seen leaving on a scooter.

"The motive behind the murder was financial gain. The victim, the daughter of a jewellery shop owner, regularly wore gold ornaments. Since no cash was found, the accused stole the ornaments," an officer said. Further investigations are underway.

MLA Kumar writes to CM on violations of bar timings

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FORMER minister and BJP MLA from Rajajinagar, S Suresh Kumar, has written to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah raising concerns over liquor shops opening early in the morning. He urged the state government to strictly enforce excise rules, warning that revenue collection should not come at the cost of social well-being.

Kumar noted that early morning hours are crucial for families, with children preparing for school and homemakers attending to household responsibilities. The sight of men and youth queuing or consuming alcohol outside liquor shops at dawn, he said, disrupts neighbourhood peace and affects family life.

Alleging violations, he said many bars operate beyond permitted hours, with some functioning round the clock. During his "One Ward Walk a Day" programme, he reportedly found a bar open at 6.30 am in his constituency and intervened to have it shut, questioning whether officials and bar owners were unaware of the rules until an elected representative stepped in.

EXPRESS READ

80-year-old man dies in suspected short-circuit fire

Bengaluru: An 80-year-old man living alone was charred to death in a suspected house fire in Mylasandra, under the Kengeri police limits, in the early hours of Thursday. The deceased has been identified as Mailarappa, who had undergone amputation of his left leg due to gangrene. His granddaughter, Ramya, who lives nearby, regularly took care of him by providing food and other essentials. The incident occurred at 2.20 am while Mailarappa was asleep. A neighbour noticed the fire and alerted Ramya, who, along with her husband and neighbours, tried to douse the flames. Ramya's husband later removed a portion of the roof sheet and found Mailarappa's charred body inside. The police registered an Unnatural Death Report and are investigating the exact cause of the fire.

Police rescue woman attempting suicide

Bengaluru: Swift action by the Hoysala police led to the rescue of a 23-year-old woman who allegedly attempted to end her life near Bellandur Lake on Wednesday night following a domestic dispute. According to police, the woman, a resident of Iblur, called Namma 112 at 9.23 pm, stating that she intended to jump into Bellandur Lake after a disagreement at home. ASI Chandrashekhar and PC Lal Saab, who were on duty, reached the location within 21 minutes. Realising the seriousness of the situation, the officers rushed to the lake. Despite attempts to call her, she did not respond. As it was dark, the police sought assistance from passersby and began searching for her. She was eventually rescued near the lake's edge.

Dermatologist booked for terming Nandini products 'toxic' in video

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AN FIR has been registered against a dermatologist for allegedly sharing a video on social media claiming that some products of the Karnataka Milk Federation (KMF) are toxic and can lead to autoimmune diseases. The case has been registered against Dr. Sharanya Padma, a dermatologist associated with a private hospital.

According to the complaint filed by Padmavathi R, a KMF staff member, on Thursday, the video shared on social media stated that Nandini products such as cream buns, strawberry-flavoured milk, and paneer are toxic and contain chemicals, and that daily consumption of these products may lead to autoimmune diseases. She further claimed that such consumption would necessitate the use of dangerous drugs like steroids and that prolonged intake would certainly cause cancer in the future.

She also claimed that strawberry-flavoured milk does not contain natural strawberries but is prepared using artificial colours and preservatives. She questioned how the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) had granted permission for the production of such products.

Additionally, she stated that consuming these products would damage health and alleged that since KMF is a government company, the government is profiting from producing and marketing such products. She further claimed that these products are not food but poison and that KMF should not release them into the market.

The Malleswaram police have registered a case.

Meanwhile, after the video went viral, KMF released a press statement on Thursday condemning the video as baseless, misleading, and brand-defaming. It clarified that it strictly adheres to all food safety standards prescribed by the FSSAI. The federation assured that Nandini milk and milk products are safe for consumption and that consumers need not worry.

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PLANNING PANEL MOOTS 350-KM 'GREEN WALL' ACROSS 5 DISTRICTS TO CHECK DESERTIFICATION

KSPPC says 'district in-charge minister system' is detrimental to decentralisation of power

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Karnataka State Policy and Planning Commission deputy chairman B R Patil submits the report to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah in Bengaluru on Thursday | EXPRESS

KARNATAKA State Policy and Planning Commission (KSPPC) has recommended the government construct a 350-km-long 'green wall' in North Karnataka from Belagavi to Bidar covering five districts to check expansion of desertification. KSPPC has also suggested the government set aside Rs 15 crore for a feasibility study.

It will be on the model of the 7,800- km Great Green Wall of Africa, covering 22 countries, and the 1,400- km-long 'Great Green Wall of India' proposed between Gujarat and Haryana, covering four states.

The commission's deputy chairman B R Patil, Aland MLA, on Thursday submitted the 210-page report, including the recommendations of the five sub-committees to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to include it in the State Budget 2026-27 which he will present on March 6. The Commission has suggested that the State Budget speech should highlight that the Centre is not adhering to federal principles as it has reduced the ratio of its funding for centrally sponsored schemes.

Despite many appeals, the Centre did not sanction AIIMS to Raichur, it pointed out. It has also suggested putting an end to the district in-charge ministers' governed system noting that it is detrimental to decentralisation of power in the three- tier system as GP/TP/ZP have become puppets of ministers.

KSPPC has recommended revision of State Climate Action Plan (KSAPCC) from gram panchayats to State.

It has also suggested 'My Rain', a community rainfall monitoring through schools and institutions by utilising the services of teachers and students of 15,867 secondary schools.

The commission also recommended installation of doppler weather radars through KSNDMC, developing of ultra-local hybrid weather and climate prediction models (IISWAD) and climate-smart agriculture analytics using satellite, IoT, GIS and AI.

The other recommendations include: monitoring of 3,000 tanks under Minor Irrigation Department, air quality monitoring expansion using crowdsourcing, digital environmental monitoring of mining areas, Know Your Borewell (KYB) groundwater monitoring program, Climate-resilient land use including agroforestry and carbon credits, micro-algae fertilizers and cattle supplements (PPP exploration), seaweed-based super absorbent polymers for water retention, climate resilience training program for youth (3CRA) and community awareness programs via FPOs and institutions.

It has been also recommended to set up a high-level ecosystem oversight committee, strengthening of Centre for Environment Education (CEE), upgrading of EMPRI into Directorate of Ecology & Environment, promotion of data integration and analytics for climate governance.

Restore free bicycle: The commission has recommended developing comprehensive guidelines and expanding coverage to children aged 3-16 years under Right to Education (RTE) and eliminating guest teacher dependence and filling all sanctioned vacancies on priority. It also recommended restoration of free bicycle scheme to increase enrollment and retention to check dropout rate.

With regard to technology and AI in education it has recommended constituting a high-level committee to regulate and guide ethical use of technology in education besides establishing a Government School Development Authority (GSDA) for monitoring and improvement.

The commission has recommended establishing Karnataka State Research Grant Foundation (KSRGF) with an initial funding of Rs 100 crore. It also suggested introducing skill courses every semester with mandatory internships/ projects, bringing reforms in curriculum, review and redesign undergraduate and postgraduate programs based on changing economic needs and AI impact through a multidisciplinary task force, undertake comprehensive restructuring before large-scale faculty recruitment and continuation of guest faculty temporarily where needed.

Health, Nutrition, Sanitation & Water

The commission has suggested improving implementation efficiency of existing programs rather than increasing schemes or budgets. The report recommended establishing a Agricultural Land Use Board and promotion of collective farming. It also mooted market reforms ensuring remunerative prices with legal MSP protection and a Farmer Income Commission and the state-led Crop Income Insurance scheme.

Transport employees protest before the strike was called off temporarily, at Freedom Park in Bengaluru on Thursday | KEVIN NASHON

Transport unions call off strike over arrears till March 2

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CHAOS broke out amidst the workers of the Road Transport Corporations (RTCs) at Freedom Park during the 'Bengaluru Chalo' protest led by the Joint Action Committee (JAC) as they called off the strike temporarily until March 2 for the state government to deliberate and fulfil their demands of salary arrears and wage revision.

Addressing the gathering at Freedom Park on Thursday, B Jayadevraje Urs, convenor, JAC, said the government had initially stated that it could not pay more than 14 months of pending arrears but later issued an order agreeing to release 26 months' arrears. It also issued an order on wage revision. However, the unions have "categorically rejected" both decisions.

"Our protest has reached the government. They have sought some time to hold discussions and arrive at a specific decision. Considering the future of 1.15 lakh workers and the larger public interest, we have decided to give them time till March 2," he said. The JAC reiterated that its two primary demands are payment of 38 months of pending wage arrears and a proper four-year wage settlement agreement.

He said if the government fails to convene a meeting and take a decision on these demands by March 2, the unions will launch a dharna at Freedom Park from that day.

The decision did not go well with many workers, who raised slogans against the temporary withdrawal of the strike. Seeking unity among employees, Urs urged all workers to extend full support to the committee's decision, stating that the fight would continue until the demands of transport corporation employees are fulfilled.

The decision comes following the state government announcing on Wednesday evening that it will release salary arrears for 26 months and revise their pay with effect from April 1, 2025, as opposed to the union's demand of clearing arrears of 38 months and wage revision from January 1, 2024, enhanced allowances and revision of Form-4.

However, the protest did not disrupt services across the state as the RTCs reported normal operations with overall fleet utilisation of beyond 96%.

Meanwhile, transport minister Ramalinga Reddy said the wage revision which was due in 2020 was not revised by the then BJP government and it was revised in the 2023 prospectively. He argued that the previous government could have cleared the arrears of 38 months.

KSRTC MD Akram Pasha addressed the gathering and assured the employees that their demands will be looked into.

Snehamayi says MUDA ex-chief paid ₹9cr bribe for promotion

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SOCIAL activist Snehamayi Krishna, who is waging a legal battle in the alleged MUDA scam, has made another major allegation, accusing former MUDA commissioner DB Natesh of paying a bribe of crores of rupees for promotion.

Seeking a detailed investigation into the matter, the activist has written to the assistant director of investigation, vigilance section of the Income Tax Department and the Directorate of Enforcement.

In his complaint, he alleged that the money belonged to the former MUDA commissioner and claimed that more than Rs 9 crore was transported in five bags, and that one bag containing Rs 1.60 crore was later handed over to a person said to be related to a senior IAS officer as bribe for the promotion.

Krishna urged the Income Tax Department and the ED to investigate the owner and driver of the car which allegedly transported the cash, trace the origin and delivery of the five bags, verify whether the vehicle rental was paid in cash or through online modes, collect the tower location and call detail records, including WhatsApp calls, of the persons, examine the GPS data of the vehicle and review CCTV footage from relevant locations.

He sought immediate legal action against those found guilty after investigation.

The chief secretary, however, described the allegations as baseless and unsupported by evidence, and sent a detailed written clarification to him.

EXPRESS READ

Act to revise tank buffer zones gets Gov nod

Bengaluru: Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot has given his assent to the Karnataka Tank Conservation and Development Authority (Amendment) Act, 2025, to revise the buffer zone of water bodies, and it has been published in the state gazette. The Bill to revise the buffer zone of tanks was passed in the Assembly amid allegations of the government budging to real estate interests. ENS

40 IT FIRMS IN TWO YEARS

Coastal K'taka pushes back against Priyank's 'communal' remarks

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MORE than 40 new IT companies have established operations in Coastal Karnataka over the past two years, industry and community stakeholders said on Thursday, pushing back against claims that Mangaluru's perceived communal image is deterring investors. The joint statement follows recent remarks by IT-BT Minister Priyank Kharge, suggesting that investor hesitation was linked to concerns about the region's image.

Representatives of CII, CREDAI, Silicon Beach Program and other industry organisations said recent commentary and social media discussions had cast doubt on safety and harmony of Mangaluru and the wider Coastal Karnataka region. However, they maintained that investment trends and growth indicators present a different picture.

In addition to the 40-plus new IT firms, the statement said the region has generated over 8,000 new IT jobs during the same period. "Today, the tech ecosystem includes more than 400 startups, 250 technology companies and over 25,000 professionals. Three homegrown tech firms were acquired in the last two years, bringing in total investments of around USD 250 million, with acquiring companies committing to expand further in the region."

Stakeholders said these developments demonstrate sustained investor confidence in what is increasingly referred to as the 'Silicon Beach of India'.

They also underlined Mangaluru's position as a national education hub, attracting thousands of students from across the country to its engineering, medical and arts institutions. The statement noted that Mangaluru was the only Indian city ranked among the top 50 in Numbeo's Safety Index 2026, citing it as evidence of the city's strong safety record.

The city recently hosted its inaugural TiECon Mangaluru 2026, which saw participation from over 700 delegates across two days. According to organisers, the event reinforced the city's potential to emerge as a second engine of growth for Karnataka and a credible 'Beyond Bengaluru' destination aimed at easing infrastructure pressures in the state capital.

International investment interest was also highlighted. MIR Group, an Italian green-tech company, is investing Rs 1,500 crore in a sustainable manufacturing facility in Mangaluru's Special Economic Zone. The project's groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled during a sustainability summit on February 20-21, 2026, with more than 10 Italian firms expected to explore long-term partnerships.

The statement further noted multiple visits over the past year by ambassadors, consuls general and trade commissioners from Spain, France, Denmark, Israel and the United Kingdom to explore collaborations in technology, education and trade.

Emphasising that Coastal Karnataka's growth has been built on collaboration between industry, academia, investors and government, the signatories urged media and community leaders to present a balanced perspective of the region. They reaffirmed their commitment to developing Mangaluru and the broader Coastal Karnataka belt as a safe, harmonious and investment-ready hub within Karnataka.

ANNOUNCE INCENTIVE FOR BRIDES MARRYING INTO FARMING FAMILIES: MLA TO CM

Tumakuru: Kunigal Congress MLA Dr H D Ranganath has appealed to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to announce in the upcoming budget incentives for girls who marry farmers' sons. In a letter to the CM on Wednesday, he stated that it is tough for sons of farmers to get brides because of the changed circumstances and priorities of girls. He said in his constituency, which is predominantly a rural area, young men are distressed at not getting brides. "As the girls refuse to marry them, the boys are in trouble as they were not able to get married even after crossing 30 years of age. Therefore I request you to declare a special allowance and special status to girls who marry farmers' children," he stated.

No question of admin lapses, says Jarkiholi

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THE minister clarified that the government has not approved new projects, but is instead attempting to balance payments within available budget limits. He dismissed allegations of administrative lapses, asserting that the financial crisis stemmed from largescale tenders issued during the previous government without adequate budgetary backing.

"We are only trying to manage the imbalance. The finance department keeps questioning approvals and the ministers concerned must respond individually," he added, pointing to the blame game between political sides over corruption charges. Expressing helplessness, Jarkiholi said the focus should be on controlling commission practises rather than politicising allegations.

He suggested that complaints be brought before the chief minister or the Lokayukta for appropriate action, and alleged that infrastructure works were tendered during the BJP government's tenure without financial support, leading to massive payment backlogs today. "The work has been completed, but payments require time," the minister said, underlining the government's struggle to clear accumulated liabilities.

BJP executive meet slams ruling Congress, hails Centre's VB-G RAM G Act, Vande Mataram move

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STATE BJP on Thursday passed three resolutions accusing the ruling Congress of administrative failures, corruption and diversion of SC/ST welfare grants, and another lauding the Union government for introducing the VB-G RAM G Act and granting national anthem status for Vande Mataram at its executive committee meeting here. In the resolutions against the ruling Congress, the BJP leaders alleged that the Siddaramaiah government celebrated 1,000 days of assuming power without any achievement. It was only a publicity stunt and had nothing to do with the common man.

Accusing the government of encouraging corruption, they said multi-crore scams have happened in the Valmiki Development Corporation, MUDA, and the Excise Department. Large-scale irregularities have taken place in the implementation of the Gruhalakshmi guarantee scheme, they alleged.

Referring to the delay in clearance of contractors' dues, the BJP leaders alleged that officials are seeking 60% commission from the contractors. Drug trafficking is rampant across the state, they charged.

The government has no concern for farmers, who are in distress due to price rise and crash in prices of their produce, they said and alleged even government employees attempted suicide due the "pressure" on them.

"BJP will stage protests in all districts soon against the government's failures and maladministration," one of the resolutions stated.

The BJP leaders condemned the government's action of diverting funds allocated for the welfare of the SCs and STs to implement the guarantee schemes. In the name of AHINDA communities' development, the CM is neglecting them. He is treating them as his vote bank, they alleged. "Siddaramaiah is only focusing on the growth of the Muslim community," the BJP leaders said.

Referring to the bad roads and garbage issue in Bengaluru, they said, "Instead of reducing the burden on Bengaluru, the government has decided to set up KWIN city near Dabaspet, Aero city near Devanahalli and AI city near Bidadi, which will further congest the IT capital."

Agarwal applauds BJP leaders

BJP National General Secretary Radhamohan Das Agarwal applauded the state BJP leaders. He said under the leadership of BJP state president BY Vijayendra and leaders of opposition in Assembly and Council, R Ashoka and Chalavadi Narayanaswamy, respectively, the party will come back to power in 2028.

By 2047, India should become Viksit Bharat and for this, the BJP needs to win the polls. Party cadres should leave no stone unturned to bring the BJP to power in 2028

Gajendra Singh Shekawat, Union Minister

Former chief minister BS Yediyurappa being felicitated during the state BJP's executive committee meeting in Bengaluru on Thursday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Prepare for 2028, weed out corrupt govt: BSY

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BJP Central Parliamentary Board member and former CM BS Yediyurapapa said the party must come to power on its own in the 2028 Assembly polls.

Addressing party workers at the State BJP Executive meeting in Bengaluru on Thursday, he said they need to weed out the corrupt government in Karnataka. "If we can make up our mind and be committed, we can achieve this," he said.

At 82 years old, the BJP leader stressed that he has the energy to work for the next six years and more. "If god is willing, I am ready to travel anywhere across the state, I will come to your place," he said.

The former CM is marking 50 years of his political career this year. He was felicitated by Union Ministers Pralhad Joshi and Gajendra Singh Shekawat on this milestone.

Hailing Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Yediyurappa said, "The PM is our role model. Under his leadership, if we can work like him, it will not be difficult to achieve."

Shekawat said by 2047, India should become Viksit Bharat and for this, the BJP needs to win the polls. He urged party cadres to leave no stone unturned to bring the BJP to power in 2028.

Slamming the "corrupt, bankrupt and scam-ridden" Karnataka government, he said party cadres must go door-to-door and explain these issues to people.

Two people, who entered a septic tank to clean it, died of suffocation at Madarasanahalli near Babalad Road in the Hirapur area of Kalaburagi on Wednesday. The deceased have been identified as Shivakumar Nandurkar (51), a resident of Madarasanahalli, and his friend Ratan Hotkar (58), a resident of Indira Nagar

Pvt bus operators allege harassment over safety norms

Say officials have begun stopping vehicles, collecting fines ahead of Feb 28 deadline

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PRIVATE bus operators in Karnataka have alleged harassment by the Transport Department as the February 28 deadline approaches for compliance with newly mandated bus safety regulations.

Nataraj Sharma, president of the Federation of Karnataka State Private Transport Associations, said that most Karnataka-registered vehicles have already complied with the government's directives, except for installation of the Fire Detection and Suppression System (FDSS) and renewal of rooftop luggage carriers. "We have been given time until the 28th. Almost everything else has been completed," he said.

However, he said that enforcement officials have begun stopping vehicles, issuing test reports and collecting fines even before the deadline.

Concerns were also raised about certain safety provisions. Nataraj Sharma termed the removal of partition doors in sleeper coaches as "unscientific," arguing it may increase noise and reduce air-conditioning efficiency. They questioned the practicality of some emergency exit norms, saying placement of doors and roof hatches must be scientifically designed to be effective in accidents.

Sharma also highlighted that the government should have formed a research committee comprising technical experts, manufacturers, bus body builders and bus owners' associations before enforcing structural modifications. Rules should be based on technical consultation, he added.

Transport officials have asserted that the newly notified safety measures are mandatory and stated that non-compliant vehicles will face action, including possible suspension or cancellation of permits, however, a senior official said the nature of action will be finalised soon. Responding to allegations of harassment, the official said inspections may take longer in some cases, which operators perceive like that.

Among the 11 mandates from the Transport Department, buses up to 12 metres must have at least four emergency exits, while longer buses require five, as per AIS:119. Roof luggage carriers and ladders must be removed, and buses built through unauthorized chassis extension will be discontinued immediately.

Bandipur safari reopening announcement riles farmers

MYSURU: Tensions are escalating across parts of Mysuru and Chamarajanagar districts following Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre's announcement that safari operations will resume at Nagarahole and Bandipur Tiger reserves in a phased manner, months after they were suspended on November 7 last year. In the backdrop of the reopening announcement, several farmers' associations have strongly opposed the move, alleging that safari operations had earlier led to an increase in human-wildlife conflict in fringe villages. The agitators said at least four farmers have already lost lives in the man-animal conflict following which the safari was closed.

ED SEIZES ₹590CR FINANCIAL ASSETS OF WINZO, SUBSIDIARY

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THE Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Bengaluru Zonal Office, has seized bank accounts, FDs, mutual funds, bonds of Winzo Pvt. Ltd and its subsidiary, Zo Pvt Ltd, valued at Rs 590crore under Section 37A of the Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA), 1999, for contravention under Section 4 of FEMA, 1999.

Winzo was into the business of hosting Real Money Games (RMG)/gambling, offering more than 100 number games with a claimed user base of about 25 crore users. Winzo has made overseas direct investment to its foreign subsidiaries – Winzo US Inc, USA and Winzo SG Pte Ltd, Singapore, by acquiring foreign exchange to the tune of USD 54,255,010 (Rs 492crore), the central agency said in a press release.

Winzo has been conducting real-money gaming operations (online gambling) by offering games such as Bingo 2p, Bingo Turbo, Ludo, Snakes & Ladders, Mines, Solitaire, Spades and Black Jack etc, in Brazil, Germany and the United States through its US-based subsidiary, Winzo US Inc, USA. Winzo has parked its funds abroad under the guise of overseas direct investment, however, the entire gaming infrastructure for these overseas operations is shared and controlled from India.

The foreign entities do not have any regular employees or independent establishments to carry out their operations. The complete management and control of these entities, including day-to-day functioning, is exercised by directors and employees from India. Further, all accounting records, management of foreign bank accounts and related financial functions of the US and Singapore entities are handled from India. WinZO Singapore is earning a licensing fee from call-break games by licensing it to WinZO India, the release stated.

Further, ED investigation revealed that Winzo Pvt Ltd also incorporated 100% subsidiary in the USA and Singapore, which are into gambling/real money games, which are prohibited as per Rule 19 (1) (b) of the Foreign Exchange Management (Overseas Investment) Rules, 2022. Further, foreign subsidiaries of Winzo games are into non bonafide business activity (not permissible under any law in force in India) in contravention of Rule 9(1) of the FEM (Overseas Investment) Rules, 2022.

Online games have been banned in India by the Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Act, 2025 (PROG) Act, 2025 and therefore Winzo could not have made overseas investments or continued investments after enforcement of online gaming ban in India. Winzo is holding foreign currency and foreign income generated abroad in bank accounts of its USA and Singapore subsidiaries from prohibited activities in contravention of Section 4 of FEMA, 1999, to the extent of Rs 590crore, the ED said.

State bolsters investment in tech partnerships

AI IMPACT SUMMIT

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE state department of electronics, information technology, biotechnology and science and technology has signed two letters of intent (LoIs) on Thursday on the sidelines of the AI Impact Summit being held in New Delhi. One was signed with the Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCI) in Katowice, Poland, and the other was with the organisers of VivaTech, one of Europe's leading startup and innovation events.

The LoI with the CCI includes a proposal to establish a Karnataka–Katowice digital and gaming corridor; collaboration in AI, deep tech, gaming and immersive technologies; advanced digital solutions; startup and innovation exchange through shared incubation; acceleration programmes and soft-landing mechanism; joint demo days, investor connects and innovation missions to enable cross-border market access; academic and research partnerships, including joint R&D programmes and applied research pilots and formation of a joint task force to identify pilot projects and develop an implementation roadmap.

The LoI with VivaTech will see the two parties work on curated participation of Karnataka startups at VivaTech in Paris and reciprocal European participation at Bengaluru Tech Summit; collaboration across AI, climate tech; co-hosted innovation challenges, enterprise matchmaking and venture capital engagement; mutual promotion of flagship events and structured country or regional focus participation and identification of scalable programmes and areas in which to sign MoU.

EXPRESS READ

JMS calls for 'Bengaluru Chalo' on March 5

MANGALURU: Women's rights activists have called for a 'Bengaluru Chalo' protest on March 5, demanding a politically neutral SIT probe into all cases reported in Dharmasthala and pressing for a series of measures aimed at protecting livelihoods and ensuring women's safety. Devi, State General Secretary of the Janawadi Mahila Sanghatane, said the march would also oppose the proposed VB Gram G scheme, seek the strengthening of MGNREGA, push for a law to prevent honour killings, and demand that social security pensions be increased to Rs 5,000 per month. She alleged that anti-people policies of both the Central and State governments had intensified the hardships faced by women. **ENS**

Gold appraiser on run arrested at B'luru airport

MYSURU: A gold appraiser accused of melting pledged gold ornaments and cheating hundreds of customers before fleeing abroad has been arrested by the Vijayanagar police in Mysuru. The accused, identified as M Ashwin Kumar was taken into custody upon his arrival at the Bengaluru International Airport. The police said he had been hiding in Bangkok following the alleged fraud. The case came to light after discrepancies were found in the weight of gold ornaments pledged by customers at a branch of Canara Bank in Mysuru. **ENS**

The Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee is organising a mega public meeting near Agalagurki on the Chikkaballapur bypass road on February 23 to condemn the Central government's alleged revision of the voter list, discontinuation of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act and implementation of what the party describes as an "unclear" VB-G RAM G Act

Revenue dept to probe laxity slur on state SLAOs

Decision follows SC remark on rising appeals

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

THE Revenue department plans to conduct an inquiry into all Special Land Acquisition Officers (SLAOs) in the state. These officers are involved in the survey and valuation of properties, and also collection of final bills and receipts and submission of reports.

This decision was taken following a recent observation by the Supreme Court while hearing civil appeals of 2026 arising out of SLP(C) 215-216/2023. The apex court had noted that the rising number of appeals were due to lackadaisical functioning and possible official connivance, as in many cases even copy applications were not filed within the prescribed time.

> **There are many instances where SLAOs have been found to be involved in malpractices. There have been complaints of faulty evaluation of properties by applying the wrong formula**
>
> A revenue official

Principal Secretary, Revenue department, Rajendra Kumar Kataria said an inquiry is being carried out into SLAOs in the department. In the meantime, the process to digitize all the documents and functions has also been taken up. The basic work of SLAOs is also being captured.

As per Revenue department data, there are around 160 SLAOs in Karnataka, who are involved with the Irrigation department, Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board, Bangalore Development Authority, Industries and Railways departments and National Highways Authority of India.

Department sources said the maximum discrepancies have been noted in irrigation, industrial, railway and housing projects where large or multiple cases are involved. "There are many instances where SLAOs have been found to be involved in malpractices. There have been complaints of faulty evaluation of properties by applying the wrong formula, and many times, not applying logic. Collusion with agents was also found to be rampant," the source added.

The next stage will see an inquiry into the working of assistant commissioners in Karnataka. The Revenue department is also communicating with the other departments where SLAOs are working to submit details of works and reports. "We are asking for digital and manual records. They will be tallied with inquiry reports to know the reality. The delay in submission/filing of documents within the stipulated time will also be included in the inquiry reports. To further correct the anomaly and ensure no more incidents occur in future, standing instructions have been issued to all revenue officers across the state to digitally process and update all documents and applications. A dedicated software for daily operations has also been created," a senior official added.

Call for 'blind evaluation' to avoid SSLC, PU paper recheck

RASHMI PATIL @ Bengaluru

EVEN as the SSLC and PU 2 Exam-1 are about to begin by the end of February, discussions and debates are going on among education experts and child rights activists whether the evaluators are bound by any rules while evaluating the exam papers.

With a view to prevent the mental and financial strain of opting for revaluation of papers in cases of unsatisfactory results and make it hassle-free for students and evaluators, experts have suggested that a "blind evaluation system" can be adopted.

The Karnataka State Examination and Assessment Board (KSEAB) provides students an option to apply for revaluation by paying a free if the students are not happy with their scores when the results are out. And every year, thousands of students apply for revaluation of SSLC and PU 2 exam papers citing various reasons.

Child Rights Trust Executive Director Vasudev Sharma said, "Earlier, there was a blind evaluation system for post-graduate exams where two different evaluators examined the papers and gave scores. The best score given the two examiners would be considered or given the benefit of doubt. I think it is better to implement the same again, so that the students don't have to suffer or their parents have to be burdened with paying thousands of rupees in case it is more than one subject."

Developmental educationist VP Niranjanaradhya said strict rules must be brought in place to govern evaluators to ensure that there are no discrepancies in the marks. "Every year, students suffer whenever evaluators provide them with wrong evaluations or marks. The KSEAB must bring in stricter rules for evaluators so that discrepancies in marks don't arise," he said.

There have been occasions when students were given low marks because the evaluator missed a sheet while totalling the marks. To avoid this, the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has introduced On-Screen Marking (OSM) for class 12 exams. Under this system, answersheets will be scanned and evaluated digitally by examiners through a secure online platform. There will be no provision of manually checking the papers. This system is expected to bring key benefits, including accuracy in giving mark, reduced chances of incorrect totalling and transparency.

DOUBLE CHECKING ALREADY IN PLACE

KSEAB Chairman Prakash Nittali told TNIE, "There is one deputy chief officer appointed for every six evaluators. Once the evaluator evaluates the exam paper, these officers again go through the paper. Besides, every evaluator is given an answer script that they refer to for elements while evaluating the paper. In case of students given full marks like 100 or closer, then the paper is checked by two other evaluators to validate the scoring." Nittali added, "When students apply for revaluation and the discrepancies are found, then the evaluators are penalised and the revaluation fee is refunded to the students. For PU students, even if there is a difference of one mark, the fee is refunded, whereas for SSLC, it is six marks."

SHARING THE JOY

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah attends the engagement ceremony of former CM Basavaraj Bommai's daughter Aditi at Palace Grounds in Bengaluru on Thursday

EXPRESS READ

Social activist alleges bid to grab ₹200cr govt land

BELAGAVI: Social activist Bhimappa Gadad has lodged a complaint with the Karnataka Lokayukta, seeking a detailed investigation into what he described as a large-scale land scam involving government officials and land mafia. He has alleged that government records have been manipulated to transfer government land worth more than Rs 200 crore in the heart of Belagavi city to private parties. The disputed property, measuring approximately five acres and 34 guntas, coming under RS No 1316/3, is located near Srinagar Garden and adjacent to the Pune–Bengaluru National Highway. According to the complaint, the plot of land was originally recorded in documents as police firing ground. **ENS**

HARSH SUMMER FROM MARCH, HEAT WAVE PREDICTED TOO

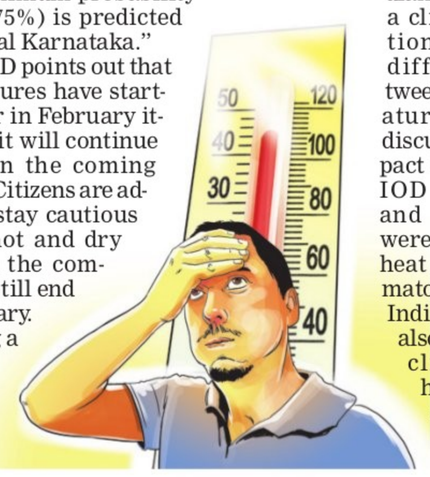
BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

IF February temperatures appear to be soaring in Karnataka, then listen to what the weatherman has to say: it's going to be a harsh summer from March to May, according to the India Meteorological Department (IMD) forecast.

As per a long range forecast issued by the department on Thursday, maximum and minimum temperatures are likely to be above normal from March to May 2026 in most parts of India, except some regions of south peninsular India which include Kerala and Tamil Nadu.

The IMD has issued a red alert for most parts of north interior Karnataka during March-May 2026 with a forecast of severe heat wave conditions. The heat wave duration, however, will be of 3-6 days, followed by a break in weather conditions. The weatherman has also forecast above normal minimum temperatures over most parts of coastal and north interior Karnataka for the same period.

According to IMD officials, "Above normal maximum temperature is predicted for entire Karnataka from March to May 2026. Maximum probability (65% to 75%) is predicted over costal Karnataka."



The IMD points out that temperatures have started to soar in February itself, and it will continue to rise in the coming months. Citizens are advised to stay cautious during hot and dry spells in the coming days, till end of February.

During a meeting on heat wave preparedness and forecast review, organised by the IMD head office on Thursday, the current El Nino-Southern Oscillation (ESNO), a recurring climate pattern involving changes in temperatures of water in the Pacific Ocean, was discussed. The impact of ESNO on the Indian Ocean Dipole, a climatic condition defined by differences between sea temperatures, was also discussed. The impact of ESNO and IOD conditions and the forecast were studied. The heat wave and climatology over the Indian region was also detailed and climatological heat wave durations from 1993 were assessed.

IndusInd Bank

INDUSIND BANK, NO.25,STEEPLE REACH,A BLOCK,3RD FLOOR,CATHDERAL ROAD,GOPALAPURAM,CHENNAI-600086

PUBLIC NOTICE OF E -AUCTION OF GOLD

It is hereby informed that the below mentioned borrowers & other availed Gold loan facility from IndusInd Bank Limited. Due to failure in repayment of the Loan and breach of the terms & condition of the agreement. The Gold pledged against these loan is now scheduled for an open public auction. The respective auction proceed / bid amount will be credited to their/the borrowers respective Loan account(s) and Linked Loan Accounts.The Gold pledged will be auctioned on an **"AS IS WHERE IS, AS IS WHAT IS AND WHATEVER THERE IS"** basis. Interested bidders intending to participate in the auction are required to adhere to the terms & condition outlined on IndusInd Bank's web site www.IndusInd.com and those of approved auction service provider. The auction will be conducted through IndusInd Bank's approved service provider C 1 India Pvt Ltd., via their web portal **https://www.bankeauctions.com**.

Bid Documents, Declaration, General Terms and Conditions, these are available for reference on IndusInd Bank's website i.e. **https://www.IndusInd.com** and website of service provider i.e. **https://www.bankeauctions.com**.

Account No.	Customer Name	Branch	Branch Contact No	Net Weight
704001127185	ANAND Y C	HBR Layout	9945087117	224.60
704001255154	FAIZ UR RAHMANS	Mysore	9902677748	117.30
704001196747 / 704001330622	SUMMIYA SHAHEEN B	HBR Layout	9945087117	204.54

The Authorized officer reserves the right at their sole discretion to amend or vary any of the terms and condition of sale.

Last Date of Submission of Bid 23.02.2026 by 05.00 PM from the date of this notice.

Date of auction is 24.02.2026 from 11.00 AM.

The Borrowers retain the option to repay the full loan outstanding before the commencement of the auction. In doing so they may reclaim the pledged gold as per the terms and conditions of IndusInd Bank Ltd.,

Date: 20.02.2026 **Sd/-**

Place : Bangalore **Authorized Signatory, IndusInd Bank Ltd**

KPC GAS POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

(Yelahanka Combined Cycle Power Plant)

CIN : U40102KA1996SGC020337

ABSTRACT TENDER NOTIFICATION

(ONLY THROUGH ELECTRONIC TENDERING SYSTEM)

Tenders are invited though GoK e-procurement platform **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** from the Manufacturers / Authorised Dealers / Suppliers for the following works:

1) KPCL/2025-26/IND2416 dtd:12.02.2026: "Procurement of Tiltable Tower Ladder at Yelahanka Combined Cycle Power Plant." Last date for tender submission: **As per KPP Portal.** Further details can be had from the **Executive Engineer (MSP)Y, YCCPP,** KPC Gas Power Corporation Ltd., Doddaballapur Road, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560119. Mobile: 9035001693. e-mail:eemspyccppkpcl@karnataka.gov.in, eemspyelahanka@gmail.com

2) KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_INDENT3959 dtd:13.02.2026: "Supply, Installation & Commissioning of IDCT vibration system at 1 x 370mw, Yelahanka Combined Cycle Power Plant." EMD Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** Last date for receipt of tenders: **27.02.2026 upto 16.00 Hrs.** Further details can be had from the **Executive Engineer(I)Y, YCCPP,** KPC Gas Power Corporation Ltd., Doddaballapur Road, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560119. Mobile : 9448585355. e-mail: eeicyccpp@gmail.com

3) KPCL/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT3947 dtd:16.02.2026: "Supply and demonstration of 10KL capacity transformer oil double stage filtration machine with all accessories including training at site for Yelahanka Combined Cycle Power Plant." Last date for receipt of tenders: **03.03.2026 upto 16.00 Hrs.** Further details can be had from the **Executive Engineer(Ele-1)Y, YCCPP,** KPC Gas Power Corporation Ltd., Doddaballapur Road, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560119. Mobile: 9480682848. e-mail: eeeyccp@gmail.com, cegswkpcl@gmail.com

WESTERN RAILWAY

CORRIGENDUM TO E-AUCTION SALE PROGRAMME MATERIALS MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

E-Auction Sale Notification No. SIII/Auction Program-I /MARCH-2026 dated 05.02.2026. E-Auction Sale at PARDI Depot scheduled to be held in the month of **MARCH-2026** on **17.03.2026 & 29.03.2026** has been rescheduled and the same will now be held on **11.03.2026 & 18.03.2026** respectively. All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged.

(SIII/Auction Programme-II / MARCH-2026 Dt. 16.02.2026) 1139

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PARADIP PORT AUTHORITY

e-TENDER CALL NOTICE

No:EM/IOHP/GW-05/2025/107 Dt: 13/02/2026

e-TCN No. EM/IOHP-01/2026

Name of the work: **"Design, Manufacture, Supply, Erection & Commissioning of 3200TPH Capacity Shiploader at IOB"**. Estimated cost: **Rs.39,36,61,733/-** only. Last date & time of submission of bid: **up to 18:00 Hrs. on 20.03.2026.** Refer our website *https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app* for details.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Elec.)
Iron Ore Handling Plant
Paradip Port Authority

PPA/PR/69/2025-2026 dt. 18.02.2026

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1 AT BANGALORE

B.S.N.L. Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru-560001

CASE NO:O.A.No.2047/2024
A/c No. 922030041946451

BETWEEN :
AXIS BANK LTD., ...Applicant
AND
Chandana Apparels ...Defendants
To,

(1) Chandana Apparels Represented By Its Proprietor Sri. Ramesh K S S/o. Sri. Shivanna, No.33, 2nd Floor, KTG College Main Road, Vishwaneedam Post, Heggenahalli, Bengaluru Urban, Vishwaneedam, Bengaluru-560 091.

Also At: Chandana Apparels Represented By Its Proprietor Sri. Ramesh K S S/o. Sri. Shivanna, No.3, 2nd Floor, 2nd Main Road, Srigandanagar, Bengaluru-560091.

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23 (Viii) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

WHEREAS: the applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions, Act, 1993, against the above defendants for the recovery of sum of **Rs. 51,08,057/- (Rupees Fifty One Lakhs Eight Thousand and Fifty Seven Only)** amount together with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs.

The above mentioned defendants are required to appear therefore hereby directed to appear before this Tribunal in person or through an advocate or duly instructed in support of their defence to show-cause on **23.03.2026. at 10.30 am** as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted. Take notice that in case of default, the Application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of this tribunal on this day of **13.02.2026**

BY THE ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL
REGISTRAR-1
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1
BANGALORE.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given to the Public at large that I, the undersigned, is verifying and investigating the right, title and interest of 1. **Sri Kalappa** S/o Late Yellaiah @ Yelappa aged 66 years, 2. **Smt. Lakshmamma** W/o Sri. Kalappa aged about 57 Years, 3. **Sri. Kumara K** S/o Sri. Kalappa aged about 42 years, all residing at Kebbadoddi village, Harohalli hobli, Kanakpura Taluk, Ramanagara District, Karnataka, and 4. **Smt. Manjula** C/o Sri. Mahesh N also D/o Sri. Kalappa, Aged about 38 years, Residing at Puttanna Temple street, Devanahalli, Bangalore Rural District, Karnataka, in the property more particularly described in the schedule written hereunder.

Any person/persons having any right, title, interest or claim against or in respect of the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, gift, license, tenancy, lease, lien, charge, mortgage, trust, easement, partition, suit, decree, maintenance, inheritance, attachment or injunction order, acquisition, requisition, lis-pendens, bequest, possession or otherwise howsoever is required to make the same known in writing along with complete documentary evidence thereof to the undersigned within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of publication hereof, failing which any and all such claims shall be deemed to have been waived and/or abandoned and the verification and investigation shall be proceeded with.

THE SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY ABOVE REFERRED TO:

All that piece and parcel of the immovable agricultural land bearing Sy No. 106/4 old Sy No. 106/1 measuring 0.17 guntas situated at Hoskote Village, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakpura Taluk, Ramanagara District with all the rights, appurtenances, whatsoever underneath or above the surface and bounded on:

East by : Property bearing Sy No.34
West by : Property bearing Sy No. 33 & 34
North by : Property bearing Sy No. 33 & 34 and Block No.4 property
South by : Property bearing Block No. 2

Mr.R. Venkatesh,
ADVOCATE
RV LAW CHAMBERS
T – 302, 3RD FLOOR, Suraj Ganga Arcade # 332/7, 14th Cross, 2nd Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru – 560011
Date: 19-02-2026

punjab national bank

Asset Recovery Management Branch (ARMB):
No.26-27, Raheja Towers, East Wing, 1st Floor, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001.
Tel No. 080-25095087.
e-mail : cs8191@pnb.bank.in

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act(SARFAESI), 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property(ies) mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical/ symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank/ Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on the date as mentioned in the table herein below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/ Secured Creditor from the respective borrower (s) and guarantor (s). The reserve price and the earnest money deposit is mentioned in the table below against the respective properties.

The auction will be held on 09.03.2026 from 11.00 AM to 05.00 PM

Sl. No.	Branch Name, Customer ID A/c Name, A/c No., Dealing official Contact No.	Description of the Immovable Properties Mortgaged/ Owner's Name(mortgagers of property(ies))	(A) Date of 13 (2) (B) Date of 13(4) (C) Type of Possession (D) Outstanding amount	A)Reserve Price B) EMD C) Bid Increase Amount
1	BO: RMV Extention (362500), Pro-way International, Cust_Id- FJK002303, A/C - 362500IC00000062, 362500JA00000049 & 362500JK00004559 Mob No. : 9632786274	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Vacant Site No- 26/5, Khata No- 68, Herohalli Village, Yeswanthpura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru- 560091, admeasuring an area of 600 Sq Ft and bounded on **East By:** Vacant Land, **West By:** Large Storm Water Drain, **North By:** 25 Ft Road & **South By:** Vacant Site.	A) 31.12.2012 B) 12.03.2013 C) Symbolic D) Rs. 89,17,098.23 plus further interest and charges as applicable w.e.f. 01-02-2026.	A) Rs. 18,37,000/- B) Rs. 1,83,700/- C) Rs. 50,000/-

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and tothe following further conditions:

1. The properties are being sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** and **"WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS"**
2. The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule hereinabove have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation.
3. The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Website h**ttps://baanknet.com on 09.03.2026 @ 11.00 AM to 5 PM**
4. Platform (https://baanknet.com) for e-Auction will be provided by e Auction service provider **M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. having its Registered office at Unit 1, 3rd Floor, VIOS Commercial Tower, Near Wadala Truck Terminal, Wadala East. Mumbai-400037.**(Helpdesk Number +918291220220, Email Id: support.baanknet@psballiance.com). The intending Bidders/ Purchasers are required to participate in the e-Auction process at e-Auction Service Provider's website https://baanknet.com This Service Provider will also provide online demonstration/ training on e-Auction on the portal.

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8(6) OF THE SARFAESI RULES, 2002

Place : Bangalore
Date : 20.02.2026

Sd/- AUTHORISED OFFICER & CHIEF MANAGER
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Contact:
9108458798/9845579620
Location: In and Around Rajajinagar.

SEARCH FOR BEST GRAIN

Farmer grows 42 varieties of wheat on 30,000 sqft plot

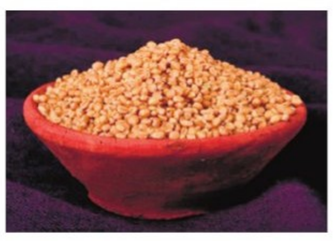
SUBHASH CHANDRA NS @ Hubballi

CHANDRAPPA Hadimani, a farmer in Malali village, located 15km away from Hubballi district headquarters, has cultivated 42 varieties of wheat on his 30,000 sq feet agriculture plot to test which one will adapt to the local soil and climate. These include some rare varieties, including Paigambari, a crop cultivated in ancient Indus valley. Hadimani's wheat crop will be ready for harvest in a few weeks.

Hadimani cultivated all varieties of wheat with the seeds he collected from Sahaja Samruddha, a farmers' network.

"This is the second year he is cultivating so many varieties of wheat. Last year, too, there was a similar experiment, but the yield was unsatisfactory. This year, we hope that it will be a great success," said G Krishna Prasad, the director of Sahaja Samrudda.

Hadimani said he cultivated these varieties as a rabi crop. "Wheat is a temperate crop cultivated post monsoon, and does not need much water. We have brought all these varieties from various parts of the country, including Karnataka, Odisha, Gujarat, Maharastra, Punjab and Assam," he informed.



The plots were divided and numbered before cultivation. "We are studying the growth and yield and categorising them to find the best varieties for local cultivation. Some are very unique in nature.

The black wheat Hadimani cultivated is said to have anti-cancer properties.

Kumar Lamani, a senior agro scientist who visited the plot, appreciated Hadimani's efforts. He said, "Scientists have developed a crop which requires irrigation, but such crops are not good for cattle feed. Only the dryland varieties are the best for human consumption and cattle fodder," he said.

Some varieties have a unique history, too. For instance, the Amrut wheat cultivated in and around Annigeri is linked to lord Amruteshwara, the temple deity at Annogere. Bijiga, another variety, is popular among the farmers of Savadatti. Some varieties have come from places like Gujarat.

The Paigamabari is a round grain variety that was widely cultivated when the Indus Valley Civilisation was at its peak. "It was found by a Gujarat-based agriculture expert Padam Jain. He shared the variety with us. It is suitable for cultivation in Indi taluk of Vijayapura district because of the climate there. Paigambari cultivation was mostly concentrated in northwest India – Sindh, Punjab and Saurashtra. It is available in both black and red grains," said Prasad.

Some of the other wheat varieties found on the farm are Sarbathi, Munda Pisa, Godavari, Dabbli, Red Amrut, Barnalla, Garur, Jave, Swarna and Kudrat.

Odisha's economy is on course to reach the Rs 10 lakh crore mark very soon, with its Gross State Domestic Product estimated at Rs 9.9 lakh crore in 2025-26, reflecting a year-on-year growth of 9.5%, the latest Economic Survey on the state has revealed

DMDK joins DMK alliance, may get 1 RS, 6 MLA seats

PRABHAKAR TAMILARASU
@Chennai

PUTTING an end to weeks of political speculation, the Desiya Murpokku Dravida Kazhagam (DMDK) on Thursday formally joined the DMK-led Secular Progressive Alliance (SPA) after being assured of one Rajya Sabha seat and six Assembly seats.

The development comes a day after the Election Commission of India (ECI) announced that biennial elections to 37 Rajya Sabha seats, including six from Tamil Nadu, will be held on March 16. Of the six outgoing members from the state, four belong to the DMK — Tiruchi Siva, N R Elango, Andhiyur Siva, and Dr Kanimozhi NVN Somu.

Sources in the DMK said the party had already committed one Rajya Sabha seat to the Congress and has now offered one to the DMDK. "The six constituencies to be allotted to the DMDK will be finalised by a committee to be formed by the DMK leadership. The alliance was sealed only after the number of seats was confirmed and accepted by both the sides," a senior DMK leader told *TNIE*. DMDK general secretary Premalatha Vijayakanth and party treasurer LK Sudish met Chief Minister and DMK President M K Stalin at the party headquarters, Anna Arivalayam, in Chennai, formally joining the alliance. Senior leaders from both parties, including Deputy Chief Minister Udhayanidhi Stalin and DMK deputy general secretary Kanimozhi Karunanidhi, were present.

TN Chief Minister MK Stalin greets DMDK leader Premalatha Vijayakanth in Chennai | X

The DMDK has never previously aligned with the DMK and had, at various times, partnered with rival alliances. This marks the first time the party has joined hands with the DMK.

Welcoming the DMDK, Stalin said the "bond of goodwill would continue to contribute to the progress and prosperity of Tamil Nadu". Recalling alliance talks held in 2016, she said the tie-up had materialised after a decade-long delay. "It should have happened when Captain Vijayakanth was alive. It is happening after a delay of 10 years, and we will work to ensure the alliance wins more than 200 seats," she said.

DMDK will never be forgiven by Captain Vijayakanth's Soul. As long as Captain was alive, he never formed an alliance with the DMK. People will not accept this alliance —Tamilisai Soundararajan, BJP leader

Vijayan slams 'Kerala Story 2' as 'hate-mongering'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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KERALA Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan on Thursday termed 'The Kerala Story 2' as a "hate-mongering film" and said the release of its sequel should be seen with "utmost gravity".

In a post on social media platform X, Vijayan said, having seen through the alleged communal agenda and blatant lies in the first part, "Kerala will once again reject this attempt to demonise our secular fabric with contempt."

"It is shocking how fabricated narratives aimed at inciting communal discord receive a free pass, while critical expressions of art get gagged. We must stand united against these attempts to paint our land of harmony as a hub of terror. The truth shall always prevail," he said on X.

The BJP has come down heavily on Vijayan over his remarks opposing the movie, accusing him of "hypocrisy" and attempting to distract people from governance issues ahead of elections.

Speaking to reporters in Delhi on Thursday, BJP state president Rajeev Chandrasekhar trained his guns on the CM and asserted that filmmakers have the right to creativity and citizens have the right to decide what they watch. Chandrasekhar alleged that the chief minister was portraying himself as the custodian of a particular community.

CPM general secretary M A Baby said the Kerala Story 1 had unfounded allegations and manufactured lies.

Accusing Pinarayi of double standards, Chandrasekhar said he used a different yardstick when a Hamas leader gave an online address at a pro-Palestine event in Malappuram in 2023. Asserting that "love jihad" was not a fiction but a reality, Chandrasekhar said the chief minister wants to ignore it.

BJP leader Sobha Surendran said that though she has not seen the movie, the title of a film cannot be questioned as "we cannot violate the freedom of expression". Speaking at a press conference here, she said that some women have escaped from the chains, and there are some who should be brought to the light by the media.

(With inputs from agencies)

HC notice to CBFC on plea to quash certification

The Kerala High Court on Thursday issued notice to the Central Board of Film Certification and the producers of the film 'The Kerala Story 2: Goes Beyond' in a petition seeking to quash the certification granted to the film. The court issued the order on a petition filed by Sreedev Namboodiri of Kannur. The petitioner also sought to suspend the exhibition and release of the film. The petitioner argued that the certification was granted without adequate examination of its impact on public order, decency, and morality, as mandated under Section 5B of the Cinematograph Act, 1952. The concluding statements in the teaser and trailer allegedly amount to a call for retaliatory action, creating a real and imminent apprehension of law and order issues. **ENS**

SABARIMALA GOLD THEFT

'Not an iota of evidence against thantri'

SHAN A S @T'Puram

IN a big blow to the SIT probing the Sabarimala gold theft case, the Kollam Vigilance Court has ruled that investigators failed to produce "an iota of evidence" to establish a prima facie case against thantri Kandararu Rajeevaru.

The court had granted bail to the thantri on Wednesday, 41 days after he was arrested by the SIT in the cases registered for theft of gold from the door frames as well as dwarapalaka idols. The court, in its bail order, said the SIT was unable to establish "any prima facie materials to link the petitioner in the alleged conspiracy by any means".

It stated that the act of the thantri in not signing the mahazars on May 18, 2019, and July 20, 2019, would destroy the entire case of the SIT regarding criminal conspiracy. The mahazars were prepared after the gilded sheets from the door frames and dwarapalaka idols were removed.

Though the thantri had signed another mahazar on July 19 regarding the handing over of the gilded sheets from dwarapalaka idols, the mahazar was prepared in accordance with the Travancore Devaswom Board's official decision to hand over the artefacts to Potti, the order said. This, the court said, in the absence of any other incriminating circumstances, was also not a ground to implicate the thantri in the case.

SIT to file final report by March 31

Kochi: The SIT probing the Sabarimala gold smuggling case on Thursday informed the Kerala High Court that the final report in the case will be filed before the jurisdictional court on March 31. The investigating officer, who was present in the court, submitted that the National Metallurgical Laboratory, Jamshedpur, has expressed its willingness to conduct tests on the samples collected from Sabarimala. A total of 36 samples have been collected, of which 30 pertain to removal of gold from dwarapalaka idol, and six relates to the removal of gold cladding from the side frames of the Sreekovil doors. **ENS**

Unity is strength, Kharge, Rahul tell Revanth

ENS @Hyderabad

AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge and Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, who met Telangana Congress leaders in Delhi, had a clear message for them: work closely together. Kharge and Gandhi held a meeting with Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy, TPCC president B Mahesh Kumar Goud and ministers. AICC leader KC Venugopal and party in-charge for Telangana, Meenakshi Natarajan, were also present. During the meeting, the AICC leaders reviewed the performance of the TPCC, discussed future strategies, the action plan and the filling of vacant nominated posts.

CRIME PATROL

Teen girl sexually assaulted by trio in Hyd

Hyderabad: A 16-year-old girl was allegedly sexually assaulted by three persons, including two minors here after being "threatened" with a knife. The incident happened in a house in Chengicherla in Hyderabad on February 16. One of the accused, who is previously involved in eight cases, including robbery and theft, and against whom a suspect sheet was also maintained, was apprehended on February 18 along with the minor boy, who lured the victim, police said. **ENS**

Vizag: Teen held for 3-yr-old's assault

Visakhapatnam: A 17-year-old boy allegedly sexually assaulted a three-year-old girl in Visakhapatnam on Thursday. The accused visited the family's home to collect Rs 300 owed to him. The father and the accused often played traditional drums together at local functions. The accused lured the three-year-old girl away on the pretext of buying her chocolates. He then took her to a nearby open area, where the assault occurred. **ENS**

PUBLIC NOTICE

General public are informed that my client **SMT. S. SUMITHRA,** aged about 75 years, W/o Sri. C. S. Subbarayan, is the absolute owner of the property bearing **Flat No. WC-005, Block No.WC,** having **PID No. 150200401700520523, Khata Serial No. 624/005 WC,** situated on **Shanti in Segment III, Ground Floor,** of **"SAI GARDENS"** and apartment measuring **775 Sq. Feet** area, together with an undivided right, title, and interest of undivided share equivalent to **620 Sq.Ft or 57.64 Sq. Mtrs,** situated at Seegehalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, acquired the same under registered Sale Deed dated 09.07.2014, registered as document **No.BDH-1-01072-2014-15** stored in **CD No.BDHD109** registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bidarahalli, Bangalore.

She has executed unregistered will dated 09.07.2014, in respect of the above said property, in favour of Sri. Krishna Kumar Kanapathy, S/o Kanapathy, she hereby declare to cancel the said Will dated 09.07.2014, in respect of the above said property. She hereby notice that the above said will is cancelled, anyone is claiming through the will is hereby restrained.

HARISHA. S, Advocate
No.84, Sriram Arcade, Seegehalli,
Bangalore-560067. Ph: 9731019876

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S/13/Auc.Prog/25-26 Dt: 17.02.2026

E-Auction programme for the month of MARCH & APRIL-2026.

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MARCH e- Auction -2026

Date	Divisions/Depots
02.03.26	Secunderabad, Tirupati
04.03.26	Hyderabad, Rayanapadu
05.03.26	Guntakal, Nanded
06.03.26	Guntur, Lallaguda
09.03.26	Vijayawada
10.03.26	Secunderabad, Tirupati
11.03.26	Hyderabad, Rayanapadu
12.03.26	Guntakal, Nanded
13.03.26	Guntur, Lallaguda
16.03.26	Vijayawada
17.03.26	Secunderabad, Tirupati
18.03.26	Hyderabad, Rayanapadu
20.03.26	Guntakal, Nanded
23.03.26	Guntur, Lallaguda
24.03.26	Vijayawada
25.03.26	Secunderabad, Tirupati
26.03.26	Hyderabad, Rayanapadu
30.03.26	Guntakal, Nanded
31.03.26	Guntur, Lallaguda, Vijayawada

APRIL e- Auction 2026

Date	Divisions/Depots
01.04.26	Rayanapadu
02.04.26	Hyderabad
06.04.26	Secunderabad
07.04.26	Tirupati
08.04.26	Nanded
09.04.26	Vijayawada
10.04.26	Lallaguda
13.04.26	Guntur
14.04.26	Guntakal
15.04.26	Rayanapadu
16.04.26	Hyderabad
17.04.26	Secunderabad
20.04.26	Tirupati
21.04.26	Nanded
22.04.26	Vijayawada
23.04.26	Lallaguda
24.04.26	Guntur
27.04.26	Guntakal
28.04.26	Rayanapadu
29.04.26	Hyderabad
30.04.26	Secunderabad

Principal Chief Materials Manager/
A2520 Secunderabad

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Applications from eligible Individuals / Institutions / Agencies / LLP / Companies etc. are invited for **"Empanelment as Recovery Agent / Enforcement Agent" for our Zonal Office Bangalore and Branches under Zonal Office Bangalore.** The eligible applicants can submit an advance copy of their application and other required documents **at UCO Bank, Zonal Office, 2nd Floor,13/22, K.G. Road, Bangalore - 560009 latest by or within 05.00 PM on 27-02-2026.** For eligibility and other details, please visit our **Website : https://www.uco.bank.in under "Tender / Notices".**

Zonal Manager
Date : 20.02.2026 **Zonal Office Bangalore**

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
CIN: U85110KA1970SGC001919

ABSTRACT e-TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through KPP Portal only) (Two Cover System)

Tenders are invited through KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** for the following works:

SHARAVATHY VALLEY PROJECT

(1) No.: KPCL/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT3960 Date: 13.02.2026 for **"Supply and Installation of UPS Systems along with batteries for CCTV Surveilance Systems at various locations of Sharavathy Valley Project."** Last date & time for online submission of tenders: **27.02.2026 up to 10.30 hrs.** Further information if required can be obtained from the office of the **Assistant General Manager (Security) Jog, KPCL, Jogfalls-577 435, Sagar Tq., Shivamogga Dist, Karnataka. Ph.No:+91 9141612722 or HP Helpdesk Nos: +91-9240214000/+91-9240214001**

SHIVA HYDRO ELECTRIC STATION

(2) No.: KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_INDENT3130/Call-2 Date: 13.02.2026 for **"Cleaning, Washing, Chemical spray on insulator stacks of isolators, 110kV CT's/PT's/CVT's/Breakers/LA's, Bus post insulators, A-frame tower string and strain insulators and alignment of isolators in ODY at Linganamakki Power House."** Last date & time for online submission of tenders: **27.02.2026 up to 16:30 hrs.** Further information if required can be obtained from the office of the **Executive Engineer (O&M), LPH, KPCL, Linganamakki-577 421, Sagar Tq., Shivamogga Dist, Karnataka. Ph.No: 08186-240345 or HP Helpdesk Nos: 080-25501216/25501227**

MAHATMA GANDHI HYDRO ELECTROIC WORKS

(3) No.: KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_INDENT3642/Call-2 Date: 11.02.2026 for **"Servicing / Overhauling of OPU Pumps, OPU Systems and Presure Manifold Blocks at MGHE Works."** The tenderer in its name should have in the last five financial years (i.e.2020-21 to 2024-25) satisfactorily completed as prime contractor at least one similar work such as **"Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of OPU system of M/s Rexroth Make/overhauling of hydraulic power packs of M/s Rexroth Make".** Last date and time for online submission of tenders is: **25.02.2026 on or before 15:00 Hrs.** Further details can be had from the office of the **Executive Engineer (MM) MGHE, Mahathma Gandhi Hydro Electric Works, KPCL, Jogfalls-577435, Sagara Taluk, Shivamogga District, Karnataka State. Mob: +91 9141612716 e-mail: eemmmghekpcl@karnataka.gov.in**

GERUSOPPA HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT

(4) No.: KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_INDENT3957 Date:13.02.2026 for **"Providing Periodical assistance to Maintenance works of 4x60 MW Generating Units at KPCL Gerusoppa Power House for One Year Period and further extendable to one more Year".** EMD: **Rs. 1,25,000/-.** Last date & time for online submission of tenders: **02.03.2026 up to 16:00 Hrs.** Further details can be had from the office of the **Executive Engineer (O&M)GP, KPCL, Gerusoppa-581 384, Honavar Tq, U.K. Dist., Mob: 9449264045/9141610217 e-mail: eee1gp.kpcl@gmail.com HELPDESK contract No.:91-8046010000 /91-8068948777**

BHADRA GENERATING STATION

(5) No.: KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_INDENT3945 Date: 16.02.2026 for **"Re-babbitting, Replacement of Shaft Seal and Maintenance Seal for River Bed Unit#1 at Bhadra Generating Station", B.R. Project-577 115, Shivamogga Dist., Karnataka.** EMD: **Rs. 50,000/-.** Last date & time for online submission of tenders is: **02.03.2026 up to 16.30 Hrs.** Further information if required can be obtained from offce of the **Executive Engineer (O&M) Bhadra, Bhadra Generating Station, KPCL, B.R. Project-577 115, Bhadravathi Tq., Shivamogga Dist., Karnataka.**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services Limited (MMFSL) hereby informs the public that 1,583 vehicles (complete list accessible at Website link: Customer Disclosures Mahindra Finance) were auctioned by MMFSL through the portal (eDIIG) and offline mode and are presently parked at various yards of **Mahindra First Choice Wheels Ltd. (MFCWL) ("Vehicles").** Accordingly, Parking Charges payable to MFCWL have been accruing from the date of parking of the re-possessed/auctioned Vehicle(s) respectively. Despite the auction, the purchasers have failed to take possession of the Vehicles from MMFSL due to reasons including but not limited to:

- Non-payment of full consideration pursuant to the auction
- Non-payment of Parking Charges
- Failure to take delivery even after payment
- Death of purchaser or other contingencies

Accordingly, all concerned purchasers claiming title (ownership) in respect of the Vehicle(s) or any part thereof are hereby called upon to take possession of their respective vehicle(s) within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of this notice by paying the full consideration (if applicable) towards the auction of the Vehicle(s) and the Parking Charges and any other dues payable to MFCWL in respect thereof by submitting the following documents:

- Proof of payment and relevant documents
- Self-identification KYC (Aadhaar, PAN, etc.)
- Documents pertaining to title in respect of the vehicle(s) as requested by MMFSL.
- Payment receipt in respect of Parking Charge to MFCWL

All claims and documents as stated above shall be submitted to MMFSL within the timeline stated herein.

Failure to comply with the instructions contained hereinabove within the stipulated time will result in MMFSL exercising its right to re-auction the said Vehicles or any part thereof without further notice and the said persons will thereafter have no right and/or title in respect of any Vehicle(s).

The proceeds of such re-auction shall be first appropriated towards accrued yard Parking Charges and other dues payable to MFCWL or any third party and thereafter towards any unpaid consideration payable to MMFSL in respect of the Vehicle(s). Any surplus shall be refunded to the rightful owner upon receipt of documentary proof and after due diligence by MMFSL or its representatives. In case of any shortfall, the same shall be recovered from the concerned person/s.

No claims shall be entertained after the stipulated time as mentioned above, under any circumstances. All correspondence to be done at Prafull.Ruke1@mahindrafinance.com with subject: Long parked vehicle
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POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)
Notice u/s 13(4) of the SARFAESI ACT, 2002
Rule 8(1) of the Security (Enforcement) Interest Rules, 2002

Whereas the undersigned being Authorized officer of Punjab & Sind Bank under the SARFAESI ACT- 2002 in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with the relevant rules of the security interest (enforcement) rules, 2002 issued demand notice under section 13(2) on **03.12.2025,** calling upon **Mr. Devi Vara Prasad S S/o Sri. Shankrappa M V (Borrower/Mortgagor), Mr. Vinayak Prasad S S/o Sri. Shankrappa M V (Borrower/Mortgagor) and Shri. M V Shankrappa S/o Sri. Late Venkata (Guarantor)** residing at #55, PID No. 54-55-55 Banashankari, IIIrd Stage, IIIrd Main, Gururaja Layout, Behind Vidyapeeta, RK Mutt Slum Dwellers Extension, formed by BDA, Bangalore-560050 and also at 58, 3rd main, Gururaja Layout, Behind Vidyapeeta, Bangalore-560028 on their individual capacity to repay the amount **Rs. 41,69,075.62 (Rupees Forty One lakh Sixty Nine thousand seventy five and paisa sixty two) as on 30.11.2025** plus interest/charges from **01.12.2025** mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the Public in general that the undersigned the Authorized officer has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said act read with relevant rules on this day on **18.02.2026.**

The Borrowers in particular and the Public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Punjab & Sind Bank, Chickpet Area Branch, Bangalore-560053 for an amount **Rs. 41,71,031.84/- (Rupees Forty One lakh Seventy One thousand thirty one and paisa eighty four) as on 31.01.2026** plus interest/charges from **01.02.2026** thereon till the date of realization.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of residential house property bearing no. 55, PID No. 54-55-55 Banashankari, IIIrd Stage, IIIrd Main, Gururaja Layout, Behind Vidyapeeta, RK Mutt Slum Dwellers Extension, formed by BDA, Bangalore measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 20 feet in all measuring 600 square feet along with the residential building in ground, first and second floor measuring 1500 Sq.ft.**East :** Property No.39, **West :** Road, **North :** Property No.54 and **South :** Property No.56.

Date : 18.02.2026 **Authorized Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Punjab & Sind Bank**

ARUVIPPURAM SREE NARAYANA DHARMA PARIPALANA YOGAM, KOLLAM

NOTICE

114th Annual General Meeting and Election of Office Bearers
14 March 2026, R. Shankar Nagar, Kollam,
(Sree Narayana College Auditorium, Kollam)

Dear all
The 114th Annual General Meeting and election of office bearers of the Aruvippuram S.N.D.P. Yogam were originally scheduled to be held on 22 May 2021, as per the notification dated 22 April 2021. However, owing to the spread of the Covid-19 pandemic, the proceedings of the Annual General Meeting could not be completed, which was decided, through a further notification dated 11 January 2022, to reconvene the meeting. Meanwhile, by judgment dated 24 January 2022 in Petitions -W.P.(C)8382/2020, W.P.(C)1385/2021 - the Hon'ble Single Bench of the Kerala High Court set aside Section 44 of the S.N.D.P. Yogam regulations. In view of this legal position, the Board of Directors of the S.N.D.P., at its meeting held on 10 February 2022, cancelled the earlier notifications dated 22 April 2021 and 11 January 2022 relating to the 114th Annual General Meeting. Thereafter, appeals filed before the Division Bench of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala W.A.2023/2024 and W.A.2024/2024 resulted in the judgment of the Single Bench being quashed on 19th December 2025, thereby restoring the earlier position and reinstating the Board of Directors. Based on the said judgment, a meeting of the Board of Directors was convened, and it was resolved to conduct the 114th Annual General Meeting in accordance with the provisions of Section 44 of the Yogam regulations, while preserving the rights of duly elected representatives whose objections had earlier been accepted and finalised. Accordingly, the 114th Annual General Meeting will be held under the Yogam President Dr. M. N. Soman at R. Shankar Nagar, Kollam (S.N. College Auditorium, Kollam) as per the agenda given below. Members eligible under Section 44 of the Yogam regulations are requested to attend the meeting without fail.

S.N.D.P Yogam Office **Vellappally Natesan (Signed)**
Kollam **General Secretary**
Date:18.02.2026 **S.N.D.P Yogam**

AGENDA

1. Gurusmarana, **2**. Welcome address, **3**. President's address, **4**. Presentation and adoption of the Income and Expenditure Accounts, Revenue Accounts, Balance Sheets and the General Secretary's Report for the relevant years, **5**. Approval of budgets for the concerned financial years, **6**. Appointment of auditor for the year 2020–21 and fixation of remuneration, **7**. Approval of the election of Directors, **8**. Resolutions, **9**. Election of Yogam President, Vice-President, General Secretary and Devaswom Secretary, **10**. Declaration of election results, **11**. Vote of Thanks

General Instructions

NB: 1. Entry passes for the meeting hall will be issued at the venue from 9.00 a.m. on the day of the meeting. Union Secretaries shall collect and distribute passes to members and Union Councillors. In their absence, authorised representatives may distribute the passes.
2. Members intending to move resolutions at the General Meeting shall submit them to the General Secretary at least a few days prior to the meeting.
3. Elections to office-bearer posts shall be conducted through the ballot system in accordance with election rules. Candidates filing nominations shall deposit ₹250 with the Returning Officer. Advocate Millu Dandapani have been appointed as the Returning Officer. The deposit of candidates securing less than one-sixth of the total valid votes polled will be forfeited.
4. The office of the Returning Officer will function at the Yogam Office from 10.00 a.m. on 25 February 2026 to 5.00 p.m. on 6 March 2026.
5. Voting shall be carried out by purchasing a ballot paper at the polling station upon presentation of the meeting entry pass.
6. Voters must produce a valid identification such as Election Commission Identity Card, Aadhaar Card, Passport or Driving Licence, while entering the polling booth.
7. Individuals proposed for appointment as Directors must furnish the meeting with their DIN numbers issued under the Companies Act, or any other identification numbers prescribed by regulations, along with a declaration confirming that they are not disqualified from serving as a Director. They must also submit a letter conveying their consent to act as a Director.
8. Copies of the General Meeting notice, Balance Sheet, Income and Expenditure Accounts, and related documents are available to members at branch and union offices.
9. The notice of the 114th Annual General Meeting and related information are also available on the S.N.D.P. Yogam website: sndpyogam.co.in

Election Notification and Programme

Date of publication of final voter list	: 20.02.2026, 10 a.m.
Last date and time for filing nomination papers	: 25.02.2026, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Scrutiny of nomination papers	: 26.02.2026, 11 a.m. onwards
Publication of the list of valid candidates	: 26.02.2026, till 5 pm
Closing date and time to file appeal before the yogam council against the decision of the Returning Officer	: 28.02.2026, till 5 pm.
SNDP Yogam council meeting to consider appeals	: 04.03.2026, from 11 am
Publication of the list of valid candidates	: 04.03.2026, 4 p.m.
Last date and time for withdrawal of candidacy	: 06.03.2026, till 4 p.m.
Last date and time for publication of the final list of candidates	: 06.03.2026, 5 p.m.
Election Date	: 14.03.2026, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Counting of votes	: 14.03.2026, from 6 p.m.
Declaration of Results : As soon as the counting of votes is completed	

Adv MILLU DANDAPANI (Signature) **VELLAPPALLY NATESAN (Signed)**
Dandapani Associates **General Secretary**
Tripti, TD Road, North End **SNDP Yogam**
Kochi - 682 035
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e-Procurement Tender Notice (Paper Notification)

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For further details of each item above, please visit **www.tgsouthernpower.org**, **www.tender.telangana.gov.in**, **www.auction.telangana.gov.in**.

Phone: 040-23431360, 1033, 1035, 1026

Sd/-

DIPR R.O. No. : 1188-PP/CL-AGENCY/ADVT/1/2025-26, Date: 19-02-2026 CHIEF ENGINEER (P&MM)

Financial Assistance to Voluntary Organisations engaged in the use of Indian Languages in the field of law.

The Government of India, Ministry of Law and Justice has a scheme for giving financial assistance to voluntary organizations engaged in propagation and use of Hindi and other regional languages specified in Eighth Schedule to the Constitution of India in the field of law. The grant would be available to those organisations, who are doing any of the following works in any language mentioned in the Constitution of India namely:-

(i) Preparation and publication of original law books,
(ii) Translation and publication of standard law books or classics,
(iii) Preparation and publication of legal glossary,
(iv) Publication of Law Journals,
(v) Any other publication, which may develop and propagate Hindi or other official languages of the States in the field of law, and
(vi) Additional grants would be considered for works in regional languages accompanied by its version in Hindi.

The Application Form & Copy of Scheme is available on our **website www.legislative.gov.in**

Duly filled in applications should reach this office in hard copy or through e-mail till 16th March, 2026.

For additional information and for obtaining the application form, contact:

Joint Secretary and Legislative Counsel,
Ministry of Law & Justice,
Legislative Department,
Official Languages Wing,
Room No. 725, 7th Floor, 'A' Wing,
Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi-110001.
Phone No. 23386229.
Email - brajesh.74@gov.in
Fax No. 011-23387051.

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Karnataka Soaps & Detergents Limited

An ISO-9001:2015 & 14001:2015 Company

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)

Sandal City: P.B. No. 5531, Bengaluru-Pune Highway, Bengaluru - 560 055.

Ph: 080-22164879, 22164886, Website: **www.mysoresandal.org** e-mail: **ksdl.dgmmtls@gmail.com**

Date: 19.02..2026

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Tenders are invited by **KS&DL** in two cover system through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (Website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)** with respect to supply of following Goods/Services/Works.

Sl. No.	Tender Number	Tender Name	Tender Quantity	Published date	Last Date of Submission
1	KSDL/2025-26/IND0994	Procurement of Guaiacwood oil	7800 Kgs	18-02-2026	23-03-2026
2	KSDL/2025-26/IND0995	Procurement of Sandal Mysore Core (SMC)	17300 Kgs	18-02-2026	23-03-2026
3	KSDL/2025-26/IND0996	Procurement of Diethyl Phthalate (DEP)	273000 Kgs	18-02-2026	23-03-2026
4	KSDL/2025-26/IND0997	Procurement of Super Santol	50900 Kgs	18-02-2026	23-03-2026
5	KSDL/2025-26/IND0998	Procurement of Patchouli oil	17600 Kgs	18-02-2026	23-03-2026
6	KSDL/2025-26/IND0999	Procurement of Amyris oil	13200 Kgs	18-02-2026	23-03-2026

For any further queries/clarifications please contact the undersigned.

Sd/-

Asst. General Manager (Materials)

SBI State Bank Of India
RASMEC Hosur Branch

Sri Vaari Building, Plot No.2, SIPCOT Industrial Estate, Phase-I,Zuzuvadi, (Opp. Ashok Leyland) Hosur-635 126.Phone:04344-277714 Email: sbi.61275@sbi.co.in

Authorised Official's Details: Name: Shri. Himanshu Kumar Verma - Mobile No: 9216818997 - Land Line No: (Office): 0434-277714

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act,2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules,2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of **State Bank of India,** the Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is Where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis** on below mentioned dates for the recovery of the dues to the **State Bank of India, RASMEC Hosur** from the Borrower(s) /Guarantor(s) as mentioned below.

Borrowers Name & Address : Smt. Bharathi P, D/o.Putta Swamy, W/o.Ravindra H M, Residence Address: Bharathi Milk Farm and Flour Mill,Opp. Town Tennis Club, Beside Urdu Pry. School,Shikshakara Bhavana Road,Kanakapura-562 119. **Property Address:** Flat No C-107, C Block, 1st floor,Sigma Serenity, Attibele Sarjapur Road, Indlabele Village, Attibele, Anekal Taluk,Bangalore.

Outstanding Amount : Rs. 42,74,743/- (Rupees Fourty two Lakh seventy four thousand seven hundred and fourty Three Only) as on 25.07.2023 with further interest together with all other costs, incidental expenses and charges.

Status of Possession : Physical Possession

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY : SCHEDULE-A: All that piece and parcel of Converted Land bearing New Sy. No. 223 (Old sy.No.173), measuring 2 Acres (converted for Non-Agriculture Residential purpose vide Conversion order bearing No. ALN(A) (A).SR-107/2010-11 dated 17-03-2010, passed by the Spl. Dy. Commissioner, Bangalore Dist.,) situated at Indlabele village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban dist., with in the administrative limits of Bidaraguppe village panchayat and bounded on the :East by:Sarjapur Main Road, West by:Sy.No.173,North by:Sy.No.180 and 181, South by:Sai Layout. SCHEDULE-B: 372Sq.ft of undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule "A" Property. SCHEDULE-C: A two bedroom Apartment bearing Flat No. C-107, "C"-Block in the First Floor of the apartment bearing known as "SIGMA SERENITY" constructed on the Schedule-A property with super Built-up area of 1007 Sq.ft., with the exclusive use of the allotted area with right to use of one car parking together with all common area attributable thereto. **Covered under Doc.No. 1944/2018-19. [Asset ID: 200022131506; Security ID :400022179746]**

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 31,73,000 /- EMD ₹ 3,17,300 /- BID INCREMENT AMOUNT ₹ 50,000/-

Encumbrances known to the Bank if any: Nil

Date & Time of Inspection Properties: Date: 25.02.2026; Time: 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM

DATE & TIME OF E-AUCTION: 27.03.2026 From 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM With auto time extension of 10 minutes each till sale is completed

Interested bidder may deposit pre-bid EMD with BAANKNET.COM before the closing of E-Auction

For detailed Terms and Conditions of the E-Auction Sale, please refer to the link provided in PSB Alliance Website **https://baanknet.com**

Place: Hosur
Date: 16.02.2026

Authorised Officer,
State Bank of India, RASMEC HOSUR

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A Scheduled Commercial Bank)

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071. Branch Office: No.10, Krishna Puram Colony Main Road, Mahatma Gandhi Nagar, Madurai-625014

E-AUCTION NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE THROUGH E-AUCTION UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT (SARFAESI ACT) 2002, READ WITH PROVISO RULE 8(6) & 9 OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002.

The undersigned as authorised officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has taken possession of the following property in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(4) of the SARFAESI ACT. The Borrower in particular and public at large are informed that **online auction (e-auction)** of the mortgage property in the below mentioned account for realisation of dues of the Bank will be held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** on the date as prescribed as here under.

Sr. No.	Loan Account Number	Name of Original Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor	Date of 13-2 Notice	Date of Possession	Present Outstanding balance as on 18.02.2026	Date & Time of Inspection of the property	Reserve Price in INR	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in INR	Date and Time of E-Auction	Last Date, Time & Place for Submission of Bid
1	31699420000227	1) Mr. Mariyappan M, S/o. Maruthamuthu, 2) Mrs. Mariyammal M, W/o. Maruthamuthu	11-06-2024	20-08-2024	Rs.11,26,662.93 (Eleven Lakh Twenty Six Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Two Rupees and Ninety Three Paise Only	26.02.2026 09:30 AM to 05:00 PM	Rs.6,48,000/- (Six Lakh Forty Eight Thousand Rupees Only)	Rs.64,800/- (Sixty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Rupees Only)	10.03.2026 11.00 AM to 12.00 Noon	09.03.2026 before 05:00 PM Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd., No.10, Krishna Puram Colony Main Road, Mahatma Gandhi Nagar, Madurai-625014

Details of Secured Assets: Dindigul District, Palani Registration District, Kujiliamparai SRO Vedasandur Taluk at present Kujiliamparai Taluk, NagaiahKottai Village, Old Natham S.No.756/1 at present New Natham S.No.1295/6 measuring 0.01.34 Sq.meter. ie., 1442.38 Sq.ft., in that measuring 721.19 Sq.ft., ie., 67 Sq.meter leaving corner of East-North measuring 36.594 Sq.ft., and corner of West-South measuring 721.19 Sq.ft., is **abounded on: North by:** House, **South by:** Road, **East by:** House, **West by:** Vacant land. Within which the land measuring East-West on both sides 15 ft, and South-North on West side 49 ft, East side 47.16 ft and measuring 721.19 sq.ft., ie., 67 Sq.meter land with constructed house and all its amenities. The above said property in that Vedasandur Panchayat union and NgaiahKottai Village limit. The above said property now Sub Division in S.No.1295/6B.

The properties are being held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** & **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** and the E-Auction will be conducted **'On Line'.** The auction will be conducted through the Bank's approved service provider **M/s. 4 Closure** at the web portal **https://bankauctions.in** & **www.foreclosureindia.com.** For more information and For details, help, procedure and online training on e-auction, prospective bidders may contact **M/s. 4 Closure; Contact Mr. M Dinesh - Contact Number: 8142000735. Email id: info@bankauctions.in / dinesh@bankauctions.in**

For further details on terms and conditions to take part in e-auction proceedings and any for any query relating to property please contact **Jana Small Finance Bank authorized officer: Mr. Ranjan Naik (Mob. No.6362951653),** to the best of knowledge and information of the Authorised Officer, there are no encumbrances on the properties. However theintending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of property put on prior to submitting their bid. No conditional bid will be accepted. This is also a notice to the above named Borrowers/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors about e-auction scheduled for the mortgaged properties. The Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of auction, failing which the property will be sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date: 20.02.2026, Place: Dindigul & Bangalore **Sd/- Authorized Officer, Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to public at large that the undersigned Advocates are investigating the title and ownership rights of the owners listed in the table below (collectively referred to herein as the "Owners"), in respect of the properties described against their names in the Schedule below and collectively referred to herein as the "Schedule Properties".

The Owners have represented that they are the absolute owners of their respective land parcels comprised in the Schedule Properties, having unrestricted rights of alienation over the same and that the Schedule Properties are free from all encumbrances, mortgages, charges, court cases, attachments, lien, litigation and/ or any third-party rights/ claims of any nature whatsoever.

Public is notified that if any person/s, entity, company, firm or institution has or asserts any right, title or interest by way of sale, lease, license, tenancy, mortgage, charge, lien, easement, objection, agency, license, gift, inheritance, share, possession, assignment, right of prescription or pre-emption or under any agreement or other disposition or under any suit, decree, injunction order or attachment or award passed by any Court or Authority litigation, lis-pendens, decree or order of any adjudicating authority, exchange, partition, power of attorney, will, bequest, FSI, tenancy, development rights, family arrangement /settlement, allotment, acquisition, requisition, beneficial right / interest under any trust, pending litigation, claim, demand or any other interest of whatsoever nature in or upon the Schedule Properties or any part thereof, the same may be brought to the notice of the undersigned in writing together with all details and documents in support of such claim within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of this Notice, failing which it shall be conclusively presumed and deemed that the Owners have a clear and marketable title to the Schedule Properties and that no one else has any right, title, interest or claim whatsoever in respect of the Schedule Properties and claim/s if any, will be deemed to have been waived.

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

All that piece and parcel of immovable properties described herein below are situated at Avalahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bengaluru District, and held by the respective Owners as hereunder:

Sy Nos.	Owners	Extent		Boundaries			
		Acre	Guntas	East by:	West by:	North by:	South by:
39/3	Y.R. Balakrishnappa (son of Y.V. Ramaiah)	0	15	Harohalli Village Boundary	Land bearing Survey No. 39/4	Land bearing Survey No. 38	Land bearing Survey No. 39/2
39/4	Y.R. Balakrishnappa (son of Y.V. Ramaiah)	0	12	Land bearing Survey No. 39/3	Land bearing Survey No. 39/1	Land bearing Survey No. 38	Land bearing Survey Nos. 39/5 and 39/2

Date : 20-02-2026
Place : Bengaluru

Sd. /-
N.K. Dilip / S. Raghu Nandana
Tatva Legal Bangalore Advocates
4th Floor, Phoenix Pinnacle,
No. 46, Ulsoor Road,
Bengaluru 560 042

CAUVERY NEERAVARI NIGAMA NIYAMITHA

(A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)

Office of the Executive Engineer,
Harangi Rehabilitation Division,
Kushalnagara – 571234,
Somwarapet Taluk, Kodagu District

Tel. No. : 08276 – 274365
Fax. No. : 08276 – 274365
e-mail :eehrdksh@gmail.com
Karnataka State.

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION NO: 21/2025-26, Date: 18-02-2026

(Through e-procurement Portal Only-Short term)

Item Rate tenders are invited on e-procurement basis by the Executive Engineer, Harangi Rehabilitation Division, Kushalnagara, Taluk, Kodagu District on behalf of the Managing Director, CNNL, Bangalore from eligible contractors for 1 number of 4701 works coming in Kushalanagar taluk juridiction. Estimated amount of work Rs. Rs 495.00 lakhs.

The contractors can have access/download tender document from KPP portal and the last date to submit the filled tender document is **26-2-2026** till 4.00 PM. Technical bid will be opened on **27-2-2026**at 4.30 PM AM onwards and Financial bid will be opened after the approval of Technical Bid. All the information is available on e-procurement web-site address https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

Tender processing fee as stipulated in the e-procurement portal is applicable for each work. Additional information can be obtained from the undersigned during the office hours. Any changes due to any reason will be posted only on the KPPP portal and will not be published in the newspapers

Executive Engineer,
Harangi Rehabilitation Division, Cauvery Neeravari Nigama Niyamitha
Kushalanagar, Somwarpet Taluk, Kodagu District – 571234, Karnataka

STATE BANK OF INDIA

Authorised Officer's Details:
Name: Sri Narasimha Murthy .B,
Chief Manager
Land Line No. (Office): 080-2594 3663
MOB: 9962629198
E-mail ID: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in

Address of the Branch :
STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH
Building No. 11/90, 3rd Floor, Opp. Trustwell Hospital,
J C Road, Bengaluru - 560002.
Tel:080-2594-3678/3663
E-mail Id: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in.

APPENDIX IV-A [See proviso to Rule 8(6)]
E-AUCTION SALE ON 10.03.2026
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property (excluding movables, if any, lying in the premises) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrower/Mortgagor in particular that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, **State Bank of India,** Bengaluru, the actual P**hysical possession** of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on **10.03.2026** for recovery of **Rs. 56,65,143/-** (Rupees Fifty-Six Lakh Sixty-Five Thousand One Hundred Forty-Three only) as on 18.02.2026 and further interest from 19.02.2026 at contractual rate with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. due to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India from the **Borrower : Miss. Rachana S Raju, (For A/c No. 41214494832).**

The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid increment amount and time of e-auction and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for immovable property to be sold will be as under :

Reserve Price (Below which the properties will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid increment Amount	Date & Time of e-Auction of Property	Last Date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
Rs. 51,00,000/-	Rs. 5,10,000/-	Rs. 50,000/-	10.03.2026 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.	10.03.2026 upto 1.00 p.m.

Description of Immovable Property :
Tender No: SBI/SARB/2025-26/200 **Property ID: SBIN200064719805**

COMPOSITE SCHEDULE 'A' : All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Converted Survey Nos 101, 103 & 104 now assigned Joint (portion) BBMP Khata No 6/6/13/101/104/103, (Converted from agricultural to residential purpose vide Conversion Order bearing No. ALN(KRPH)SR/44/14-15, dated 25.09.2014 & ALN(KRPH) SR/14/2016-17, dated 07.09.2016 both conversion issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore), situated at K. Channasandra Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, presently Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore presently under the administrative jurisdiction of BBMP, totally measuring 18 ½ Guntas, with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and **bounded on the : East by :** Presently 80 feet Road, **West by :** Portion of Survey No.101 & 103, **North by :** Presently 25 feet Road, **South by :** Presently 25 feet Road.

Schedule "B" : 390 Sqft undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule "A" above.

Schedule "C" (Description of the Schedule C Property) : Flat bearing No G008 in the Ground Floor, measuring about 1225 Sq feet super built up area, containing Two bed rooms, along with one car parking space, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified Flooring, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, Lift, staircase, etc. in the multistoried residential building known as "PINNACLE" constructed over Schedule "A" Property.

Statutory 15 Days Sale Notice Under "Sarfaesi" Act, 2002. : The Borrower/Mortgagor is hereby noticed to pay the sum mentioned above within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the Bank shall sell the properties as per the provisions laid down in the SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided by the Secured Creditor represented by the Authorised Officer, State Bank of India, SARB, Bengaluru ie., **1) https://baanknet.com, 2) www.sbi.co.in**

For further details regarding inspection of the properties the intending bidder may contact the Authorised Officer as mentioned above or Bank's Approved Resolution Agent : Mr. Manohar V, Cell No. 7353931866. To the best of knowledge of the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrance on any of the above said properties.

Date: 19.02.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bengaluru **State Bank of India, SARB, Bangalore**

Karnataka Bank Ltd.

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Asset Recovery Management Branch,
1st Floor, FKCCI Building,
Kempegowda Road,
Bengaluru-560009

Phone : 080-22955928 (Gen)/22955929 (AGM)
E-Mail : blr.arm@ktkbank.com
Website : www.karnatakabank.com
CIN : L85110KA1924PLC001128

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the Authorised Officer of **KARNATAKA BANK LIMITED,** under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued the Demand Notices, details of which are mentioned hereunder, calling upon the borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/co-obligants mentioned therein to repay the total amount mentioned in the demand notice along with future interest within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notices.

1. Name of Borrower/Mortgagors/Guarantors/Co-obligants:- (1) Mrs.Prema M B W/o Mr.Shivaraj B **(2) Mr.Shivaraj B** S/o Mr.Biliyaiah both **(1) and (2) are Addressed at :** No.1, 1st Floor, Gemini House, 8th Main, Vayalikaval, Bangalore-560003.

Branch Name: Bengaluru – Sadhashiva Nagar **Date of Demand Notice: 21.11.2025**

Amount Demanded: Rs.18,16,717.94 [Rupees Eighteen Lakh Sixteen Thousand Seven Hundred Seventeen and Paise Ninety Four Only] under PSTL A/c No. 9087001800009901 along with future interest from 07.11.2025 Plus Cost .

Date of taking Possession: 18.02.2026

Balance outstanding as on the date of possession: Rs.18,76,609.94 [Rupees Eighteen Lakh Seventy Six Thousand Six Hundred Nine and Paise Ninety Four] under PSTL A/c No. 9087001800009901 along with future interest from 07.02.2026 plus costs.

Description of the Immovable Property: All that part and parcel of Residential Property bearing **Municipal No.6, Old No.360/6, PID No.99-78-6,** Measuring East to West by 20 ft. and North to South by 25 ft, totally measuring 500 Sq.ft , together with residential building constructed thereon (GF and FF), situated at 4th Main, 6th Cross, Venkatarangapuram, (VR Puram) , Palace Guttahalli, Bangalore-560003, belonging to **Mrs. Prema M B. Boundaries of Property as per document: East by :** House of Smt. Jayalakshmamma, **West by :** Property bearing No.358, **North by :** Main Road, **South by :** Conservancy Lane.

2. Name of Borrower/Mortgagors/Guarantors/Co-obligants:– (1) M/s Promenade Constructions , Represented by its Proprietor .Mr. Pramod K V S/o Mr. Virupakshappa M No.3, R R Residency , Opp Veeranjaneya Temple, NGEF Layout Main Road , A Post , Bangalore-560072 **(2) Mr. Pramod K V** S/o Virupakshappa M **(3) Mrs. Kavya D** W/o Mr. Pramod K V , **Both are addressed at :** No.302, 11th Cross, Teachers Colony, Near ISEC Gate, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru-560072.

Branch Name: Bengaluru – Teachers Layout **Date of Demand Notice: 30.10.2025**

Amount Demanded: Rs.34,86,348.78 [Rupees Thirty Four Lakh Eighty Six Thousand Three Hundred Forty Eight And Paisa Seventy Eight Only] i.e Rs. 32,25,887.36 under PSOD A/c No. 9837000600000101 along with future interest from 01.10.2025 and Rs. 2,60,461.42 under PSTL A/c No. 9837001800001601 along with future interest from 11.10.2025 Plus costs .

Date of taking Possession: 18.02.2026

Balance outstanding as on the date of possession: Rs.36,53,911.78 [Rupees Thirty Six Lakh Fifty Three Thousand Nine Hundred Eleven And Paisa Seventy Eight Only] i.e Rs. 33,84,706.36 under PSOD A/c No. 9837000600000101 along with future interest from 01.02.2026 and Rs. 2,69,205.42 under PSTL A/c No. 9837001800001601 along with future interest from 11.02.2026 Plus costs.

Description of the Immovable Property : All that Piece and parcel of **Site No.73, Old Khata No 778, Village Panchyath Khatha No.926/73, E-Khata No.150200101300400162,** formed in converted Sy No 53/2 of Soppahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bangalore District , layout called as Prashanthi Central Layout approved by Anekal Planning Authority, Also called (Postal Address) Site no.73, Prashanthi Central Layout Soppahalli Village Kasaba Hobli Anekal Taluk , Bangalore-562106 belonging to **Mr. Pramod K V. Boundaries of property as per Document & Actual: East by :** Plot No 66, **West by :** 30 Feet Road, **North by:** Plot No.74, **South by:** Plot No 72.

The borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/ co-obligants having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/ co-obligants and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties, as described herein above, in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on **18.02.2026.**

The borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/ co-obligants in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties mentioned herein above and any dealings with the said properties will be subject to the charge of **Karnataka Bank Ltd.,** for amounts as described herein above.

[The attention of the borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.]

Place: Bengaluru **Sd/- Asst. General Manager & Authorised Officer**
Date : 18.02.2026 **For Karnataka Bank Ltd.,**

BENGALURU SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT LIMITED

Office of the Deputy General Manager-1 (BSWML), 1st Floor,
BBMP Building, Thimmaiah Road, Bengaluru-560 052

No. DGM-1/BSWML/Qtn/1115/2025-26 **Date: 19.02.2026**

QUOTATION NOTIFICATION

The Deputy General Manager–1 invites Item Rate Quotations for the work detailed in the table below. Bidders may submit their quotations for the work mentioned therein. The quotation shall be submitted in a sealed cover to this office within the date and time specified. The quotations will be opened on the prescribed date and time.

Vehicle Description : 1) 60 MT Ton load cell cup and ball-6 No's. 2) 10 MM Steel Plate 3*1.5 Meter. 3) Software with DL and load cell wire-1 Job. 4) Installation Charges and labor work
Amount in Rs.

NOTE: Calendar of events: 1) Submission of quotation 20.02.2026 onwards. 2) Last date submission of quotations on or before 26.02.2026 upto 4.00 PM. 3) Date of opening of quotations on 27.02.2026 at 11.00 AM onwards. 4) Before submission of quotations, bidders must ensure that all the necessary Documents have been attached with quote.

Sd/-
Deputy General Manager-1,
BSWML, Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/5738/CCL/2025-26

CENTRAL SANSKRIT UNIVERSITY

(Established by an Act of Parliament)
56-57, Institutional Area, Janakpuri
New Delhi-110058

Inviting online applications for Affiliation of Ayurveda Gurukulam

Ayurveda Gurukulams offer a residential seven and a half year Ayurveda education programme, comprising the Pre-Ayurveda Programme followed by the Bachelor of Ayurvedic Medicine and Surgery (BAMS) degree in accordance with the norms prescribed by the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM). Accordingly, the Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi invites applications from eligible institutions for affiliation of Ayurveda Gurukulams under the Gazette-notified regulatory framework of the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM), Government of India. Ayurveda Gurukulams are envisaged to impart traditional Gurukula-based education in Ayurveda, aligned with the Pre-Ayurveda Programme leading to the BAMS degree, as prescribed by the competent authority.

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Interested institutions may apply through the University website: https://www.sanskrit.nic.in/ayurveda_gurukulam.php For detailed guidelines, eligibility criteria, and application procedure, please visit: www.sanskrit.nic.in

Sd/-
Registrar

Date: 09.02.2026 **CBC 21212/12/0005/2526**

KARNATAKA INDUSTRIAL AREAS DEVELOPMENT BOARD

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
No.2, 2/1 and 2/3, Kalidasa Marg, 1st Main Road, Gandhinagar
Bengaluru - 560 009. Phone No. 080-22265383, website: www.kiadb.in

No. IADB/ENGG/ETND-DPR-06/2017/2025-26 **Date: 19.02.2026**

SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDER

(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)

KIADB invites tender from reputed consultants/firms under two cover bid system having an office at Bengaluru with vast experience and proven record of similar nature of work for project mentioned below:-

Name of the work : Providing Consultancy Services for Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) Economic Analysis, Survey, Plan, Design, Preparation of Estimates, Cost Structure etc., for Establishment of Knowledge, Wellbeing and Innovation City (KWIN City) at Phase-4 & ,Phase-5, Doddaballapura & Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District.

The last date and time of receipt of tender is : **11.03.2026** upto **4.00 pm.**

Applicants May Download Bidding Documents from the E-Procurement Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/-
Chief Engineer-1, KIADB, Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/5762/Zen/2025-26

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
अंतरिक्ष विभाग DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
इसरो नोदन कॉम्प्लेक्स ISRO PROPULSION COMPLEX
महेंद्रगिरि पी ओ MAHENDRAGIRI PO
तिरुनेलवेली जिला TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT- 627 133
तमिलनाडु TAMILNADU.
क्रय एवं भंडार प्रभाग PURCHASE & STORES DIVISION

अभिरुचि की अभिव्यक्ति आमंत्रित सूचना सं.: आईपीआरसी/आएसटीई/सीएफएसडी/ईओआई/01/2026

Notice Inviting Expression of Interest No.: IPRC/ESTE/CFSD/EOI/01/2026

सं.प्र.क्र.भं./आईपीआरसी/ईएसटीई/सीएफएसडी/ईओआई/01/2026 **दिनांक : 19 फरवरी 2026**

Ref. HPS/IPRC/ESTE/CFSD/EOI/01/2026 **Date: 19th February 2026**

भारत के राष्ट्रपति के लिए तथा उनकी ओर से, इसरो नोदन कॉम्प्लेक्स (आईपीआरसी), महेंद्रगिरि के प्रधान, क्रय एवं भंडार, आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि, तमिलनाडु, भारत में द्रव मीथेन उत्पादन संयंत्र (एलएमपीपी) की स्थापना के लिए योग्य विक्रेताओं से अभिरुचि की अभिव्यक्ति (ईओआई) आमंत्रित करते हैं।

For and on behalf of the President of India, Head, Purchase & Stores, ISRO Propulsion Complex (IPRC), Mahendragiri invites "Expression of Interest (EOI) from capable vendors for "Establishment of Liquid Methane Production Plant (LMPP)" at IPRC, Mahendragiri, Tamil Nadu, India.

परियोजना का संक्षिप्त विवरण सहित अभिरुचि की अभिव्यक्ति प्रपत्र-1, 2, 3 और 4 इसरो की वेबसाइट www.isro.gov.in, www.iprc.gov.in और सीपीपी पोर्टल पर उपलब्ध हैं।

A brief scope of the Project along with EOI – Form 1, 2, 3 & 4 is available in ISRO website www.isro.gov.in, www.iprc.gov.in and CPP portal.

इच्छुक विक्रेता दस्तावेज़ डाउनलोड कर सकते हैं और निर्धारित तिथि और समय से पहले अर्थात 07.04.2026 (भा.मा.स. 1600 बजे) तक सीलबंद लिफाफे में अपना विस्तृत अभिरुचि की अभिव्यक्ति अधोहस्ताक्षरी को प्रस्तुत कर सकते हैं। अपना अभिरुचि की अभिव्यक्ति प्रस्तुत करते समय, लिफाफे पर उपर्युक्त संदर्भ संख्या और नियत तिथि अवश्य लिखें।

Interested vendors may download the documents and submit detailed EOI to the undersigned on or before due date and time i.e., 07.04.2026 (16.00 Hrs. IST) in sealed cover. While submitting your EOI, super-scribe the above-mentioned Reference No. and due date on the envelope.

इस अभिरपचि की अभिव्यक्ति के प्रकाशन के बाद जारी किया गया कोई भी शुद्धिपत्र हमारी वेबसाइट पर डाला जाएगा। आप नियमित रुप से साइट का अवलोकन कर सकते हैं।

Corrigendum if any, issued after publication of this Expression of Interest, will be hosted in our website. You may visit the site regularly.

हस्ताक्षरित/ Sd/-
प्रधान, क्रय एवं भंडार, आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि
Head, Purchase & Stores, IPRC, Mahendragiri
फोन सं./ Phone No.: 04637-281599 / 04637-281553
E-mail ID – na_priya@iprc.gov.in / psogroup2@iprc.gov.in

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಅಭಿಯಾನ
ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಯೋಜನಾ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿ
#308, ಮೂರನೇ ಮಹಡಿ, ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಡಳಿತ ಭವನ, ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ.ರಾಚಯ್ಯ ಜೋಡಿ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಚಾಮರಾಜನಗರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ – 571313
Email ID: dpdochamarajanagar@gmail.com ದೂ. ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 08226-355162

DHS/CPHC-UHC/CHN/04/2025-26 **Dated: 18-02-2026**

Request for Proposal (RFP)

E-Tender Announcement

(Only through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal)

Tenders have been invited from eligible organizations on the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal for the supply of Equipment required for various health institution in Chamarajanagar District for the year 2025-2026 under the National Health Mission 15th Finance Commission tender form, EMD Fees and more Information About the tender can be viewed on the website www.https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

Tender Number: DHFWS/2025-26/IND2252

Name of the Tender	:	To Purchase of equipment required for Various health institution in Chamarajanagar under the 15th Finance Commission
Date and time for commencement of down-loading of bidding document	:	Date: **18-02-2026** Time: 10:30AM
Pree Bid Meeting And Sample Verification	:	Date: **26-02-2026** Time: 11:00AM
Last date and time for bid submission/ uploading of bid in E-Procurement platform	:	Date: 05.03.2026 Time: 04.00PM
Date and time for opening of Technical Bids	:	Date: 06.03.2026 Time: 4.10 PM
Date and time for opening of Financial Bids	:	Date: 07.03.2026 Time: 4:00PM
Place of opening of bids and address for communication	:	District Health & Family Welfare Office, Chamarajanagar

Sd-
Member Secretary
District Health & Family Welfare Society,
Chamarajanagar District, Chamarajanagar.

NO: DIPR: CHANAGAR: 726:2025-26

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಸಣ್ಣ ನೀರಾವರಿ ಮತ್ತು ಅಂತರ್ಜಲ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಹಳಿಯಾಳ ವಿಭಾಗ (ಉ.ಕ)
ಇ-ಮೇಲ್: midhly@yahoo.co.in ಫೋ.ನಂ: 08284–220113
ನಂ:ಕಾನಿಅ/ಸನೀವಿಹ/ತಾವಿ/ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್/8443/2025–26/2304 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 16/02/2026

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

(ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್) ಕೆ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ–2

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೊಂದಾಯಿಸ ನವೀಕರಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿರುವ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಐಟಂ ದರದಲ್ಲಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ–2000 ಮತ್ತು ಇತ್ತೀಚಿನ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿಗಳಂತೆ KW-2 (ದ್ವಿ–ಲಕೋಟೆ) ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ "ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನ" ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಟೆಂಡರ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದೆ.

(1) ಇಂಟೆಂಡ್ ನಂ: 11039 (2) ಇಂಟೆಂಡ್ ನಂ: 11040

ಖಾಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ ಫಾರಂಗಳನ್ನು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ವೆಬಸೈಟ್ ವಿಳಾಸ: **"https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in"** ದಲ್ಲಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 18–02–2026 ರ ನಂತರದಿಂದ ಡೌನಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದು. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಕುರಿತಂತೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 24–02–2026 ರೊಳಗಾಗಿ ವಿಚಾರಣೆ ಮತ್ತು ಸ್ಪಷ್ಟೀಕರಣಗಳಿಗೆ ಕಚೇರಿ ಅಥವಾ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಿ ಪರಿಹರಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರಗಳನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 25–02–2026 ರ ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 05.15 ಗಂಟೆಯವೆರೆಗೆ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು. ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 26–02–2026 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 05.30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು. ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ನ್ನು ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ನ ಅನುಮೋದನೆ ನಂತರ ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಒಪ್ಪಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವ ಕನಿಷ್ಟ ಅರ್ಹತಾ ಮಾನದಂಡಗಳನ್ನು ಕೆ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ–2 ಬಿಡ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯುಮೆಂಟ್ ರಲ್ಲಿರುವಂತೆ ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು ಹಾಗೂ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟನಲ್ಲಿರುವ ವಿವರಗಳೇ ಅಂತಿಮ.

ವಿ.ಸೂ: ಸದರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾತ್ರ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಸಹಿ/–, (ಎಂ. ನಾಗರಾಜ)
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು
ಸಣ್ಣ ನೀರಾವರಿ ಮತ್ತು ಅಂತರ್ಜಲ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ,
ಹಳಿಯಾಳ ವಿಭಾಗ (ಉ.ಕ)

DIPR/ADK/KSMCA/1117/25-26 Dt.19.02.2026

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Government Of India Undertaking)
Head Office: Bangalore

ARM-1 Branch,
2nd Floor, No.86, Spencer Tower,
M.G. Road Bengaluru-560001
Ph:080-25310066, E-mail: cb2366@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable / movable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 07.03.2026 (10.30 AM to 11.00 AM), for recovery of Rs. 8,81,06,077.53 as on 12.01.2026** with further interest and cost thereon due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank from (1) Mr Y R Venugopal,** # 32, 2nd B Cross, Dassappa Graden Road, Maruthinagar, Shettihalli, Tumkur-572101. **(2) Mr. Rangashamaiah,** S/o Sanjeevaiah, # 32, 2nd B Cross, Dassappa Garden Road, Maruthinagar, Shettihalli, Tumkur-572101.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of **E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through **RTGS/NEFT** in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **06.03.2026 - 5.00 pm.**

(₹.In Lakhs)

Lot	Description of the immovable assets:	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental Value
1	Industrial Converted Land having Sy. No.42/2 old Sy.No 9/B Block, measuring 2 acres situated at Pandithanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Tumkur-572140 and bounded on: East: Land in Sy.No 42/1 belongs to KV Nagesh and others, West : Devarayapatna Gadi and Other Land, North : Other Land, South : Road. **Coordinates of the property Latitude- 13.33904, Longitude77.14659**	₹. 100.00	₹. 10.00	₹. 1.00

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/) portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No.080-25310066, 7022044933 and 9039609346 during office hours on any working day.

Date : 17.02.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bengaluru **Canara Bank**

Bank of Baroda

Malleswaram Main Branch, No74, 7th Cross,
Malleswaram, Bengaluru - 560 003
Tel: 080-23447674, E-mail: MALLES@bankofbaroda.com

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

"APPENDIX- IV-A [See provision to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6)]"

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s), Mortgagor (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda, Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is"**, and **"Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Mortgagor/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below -

Sr. lot no.	Name & address of Borrower	Description of the Properties	Total Dues	Date & Time of Auction	Reserve Price EMD Amount Increment amount	Status of Possession (Constructive/ Physical)	Property Inspection date & time
1	**1) Smt Geetha Dadiga,** W/o Srisailam Dadiga, No 4/161, Lemoor, K V Rangareddy, Kandukar, Hyderabad – 501359 (Borrower). **2) Sri Srisailam Dadiga,** S/o Sri DanaiahDadiga, No 4/161, Lemoor, K V Rangareddy, Kandukar, Hyderabad – 501359 (Co-Borrower). **3) Smt Gorege Laxmamma,** W/o Gorige Kishan, No 4/161, Lemoor, K V Rangareddy, Kandukar, Hyderabad – 501359	**Schedule 'A' Property:** All that Property bearing Municipal No.123, situated at Infantry Road, Municipal Ward No.78 of Vasanthanagar, Bangalore and in all approximately measuring 10397 sq. ft. Out of 12059 Sq. Ft. and bounded by: East: Road, West: Private Property, North: Infantry Road and South: Private Property **Schedule 'B' Property:** 450 Sq.ft of undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in Schedule 'A' Property. **Schedule 'C' Property:** Residential Flat bearing No. 202, comprising of 3 BHK, in Second Floor of "PRISTINE VARA" BBMP Property Bearing No.123/5m Situated at INFANTRY ROAD, Bangalore, PID No. 78-1-123/5, BBMP Ward No. 110-Sampangiramanagar, being built in Schedule 'A' Property and having Super built up area 2500 Sq. ft. (Carpet area measuring 1665 sq.ft), and right to use , common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common usage and one covered car parking space in basement and bounded on: East by: Private Property, West by: Private Property North by: Flat No. 201, South by: Private Property.	**Rs 7,62,19,161.84** (Rupees Seven Crores Sixty-Two Lakhs Nineteen Thousand One Hundred Sixty One and Paise Eighty Four Only) as on 10.01.2026 Plus Interest and Legal Expenses thereon	**12.03.2026** between 02.00 PM to 06.00 PM	**Rs. 5,25,00,000/- Rs.52,50,000/- Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Physical Possession**	With prior appointment from Authorised Officer
2	**1) Sri Srisailam Dadiga,** S/o Sri Danaiah Dadiga, No 4/161, Lemoor, K V Rangareddy, Kandukar, Hyderabad – 501359 (Borrower). **2) Smt Geetha Dadiga,** W/o Srisailam Dadiga, No 4/161, Lemoor, K V Rangareddy, Kandukar, Hyderabad – 501359 (Co-Borrower). **3) Smt Gorege Laxmamma,** W/o Gorige Kishan, No 4/161, Lemoor, K V Rangareddy, Kandukar, Hyderabad – 501359	**Schedule 'A' Property:** All that Property bearing Municipal No.123, situated at Infantry Road, Municipal Ward No. 78 of Vasanthanagar, Bangalore and in all approximately measuring 10397 sq. ft. Out of 12059 Sq. Ft. and bounded by: East: Road, West: Private Property, North: Infantry Road and South: Private Property **Schedule 'B' Property:** 450 Sq.ft. of undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in Schedule 'A' Property. **Schedule C Property:** Residential Flat bearing No.702, Comprising of 3 BHK in 7th Floor of "PRISTINE VARA", PID No.78-1-123/15 being built in the schedule A property and having super built-up area of 2500 square feet and its carpet area measuring 1563 square feet, together with one covered car parking space in the basement and right to use common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common usage and bounded on the: East by: Private Property, West by: Private Property, North by: Flat No.701 and South by: Private Property.	**Rs Rs 7,65,69,960.29** (Rupees Seven Crores Sixty-Five Lakhs Sixty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty and Paise Twnety Nine Only) as on 10.01.2026 Plus Interest and Legal Expenses thereon	**12.03.2026** between 02.00 PM to 06.00 PM	**Rs. 5,25,00,000/- Rs.52,50,000/- Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Physical Possession**	With prior appointment from Authorised Officer

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer/visit to the website link https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm and online auction portal https://baanknet.com and Also, prospective bidders may contact the Authorised officer on Tel No. 080-23447674& Mobile 9966557409.

Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
Bank of Baroda, Malleswaram Main Branch

Date: 18.02.2026
Place: Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to public at large that the undersigned Advocates are investigating the title and ownership rights of the owners listed in the table below (collectively referred to herein as the "Owners"), in respect of the properties described against their names in the Schedule below and collectively referred to herein as the "Schedule Properties".

The Owners have represented that they are the absolute owners of their respective land parcels comprised in the Schedule Properties, having unrestricted rights of alienation over the same and that the Schedule Properties are free from all encumbrances, mortgages, charges, court cases, attachments, lien, litigation and/ or any third-party rights/ claims of any nature whatsoever.

Public is notified that if any person/s, entity, company, firm or institution has or asserts any right, title or interest by way of sale, lease, license, tenancy, mortgage, charge, lien, easement, objection, agency, license, gift, inheritance, share, possession, assignment, right of prescription or pre-emption or under any agreement or other disposition or under any suit, decree, injunction order or attachment or award passed by any Court or Authority litigation, lis-pendens, decree or order of any adjudicating authority, exchange, partition, power of attorney, will, bequest, FSI, tenancy, development rights, family arrangement /settlement, allotment, acquisition, requisition, beneficial right / interest under any trust, pending litigation, claim, demand or any other interest of whatsoever nature in or upon the Schedule Properties or any part thereof, the same may be brought to the notice of the undersigned in writing together with all details and documents in support of such claim within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of this Notice, failing which it shall be conclusively presumed and deemed that the Owners have a clear and marketable title to the Schedule Properties and that no one else has any right, title, interest or claim whatsoever in respect of the Schedule Properties and claim/s if any, will be deemed to have been waived.

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

All that piece and parcel of immovable properties described herein below are situated at Avalahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bengaluru District, and held by the respective Owners as hereunder:

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42	Mr. N.S. Mohan Krishna (son of Late N.V. Subbarayappa)	0	13	Land bearing Survey No. 43	Land bearing Survey No. 44	Land bearing Survey No. 41	Land bearing Survey No. 43
	Mr. N.S. Nagesh (son of Late N.V. Subbarayappa)	0	15				
43	Mr. S. Krishne Gowda (son of Late N.V. Subbarayappa)	0	15.50	Harohalli village boundary	Land bearing Survey Nos. 42 and 44	Land bearing Survey Nos. 41 and 42	Harohalli village boundary
	Mr. S. Srinivas (son of Late N.V. Subbarayappa)	0	15.50				

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"There's no such thing as a perfect name. Human beings should be allowed to name themselves when they turn eighteen

Jhumpa Lahiri

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— Ramnath Goenka

LEADERS MUST HEED COURT CAUTION, ALIGN WORDS WITH CORE VALUE OF FRATERNITY

THE Preamble to our Constitution protects not just secularism, justice, liberty and equality. It enshrines fraternity—a value too often overlooked, but was central to the Supreme Court's recent reflections in the *Roop Rekha Verma* case. The court's observations at a hearing turned the spotlight on the moral obligations of public office holders. Chief Justice Surya Kant reminded leaders that they must uphold constitutional values and, importantly, act with mutual respect. Justice B V Nagarathna stressed that leaders bear a duty to promote unity and fraternity. She also reflected on the limits of judicial oversight, raising a core issue: "Origin of speech is thought. How do you control thought?" That question framed the court's dilemma. The petition had sought guidelines to regulate growing instances of hate speech by constitutional functionaries that allegedly undermine equality, secularism and fraternity. The court declined to single out individuals, and emphasised systemic responsibility instead. The message was clear: law cannot regulate thought and restraint cannot be imposed from outside, but must arise within those who wield authority.

For India, the stakes are unmistakable. Every word a leader speaks carries weight. Myriad instances establish that rhetoric that stigmatises communities or fuels division has shaped sectarian behaviour, deepened intolerance and often spilt into violence. This is not only a legal problem but a civic one, too. Political parties must cultivate ethical discipline in discourse. Citizens must demand accountability. Institutions must apply laws impartially to prevent communal polarisation and targeting. Past rulings reinforce this framework. In *Abhiram Singh* (2017), the Supreme Court held that appeals to religion, caste or community for electoral gain amount to corrupt practices. Several judicial directions stressing prompt action against hate speech further underline that communal harmony cannot survive indifference. The principle is clear, yet Justice Nagarathna's reflection underscores a deeper truth: legal prohibitions are necessary but not sufficient. The source of speech—thought itself—must align with constitutional values.

The court's observations are both a warning and a guide. Democracy depends on leaders who exercise restraint, foster fraternity and respect constitutional morality. Without internal discipline and collective vigilance, words can fracture the social fabric, law becomes reactive and fraternity remains aspirational. The court is urging India to act not only through statutes, but through conscience, thought and example. Words have power. Used carelessly, they can tear society apart.

LIMITED SAFARI IN TIGER HABITAT A GOOD RESTART

CAUGHT on a cleft stick between lives and livelihood, and under pressure from the ecotourism lobby, Karnataka has restarted jungle safaris in the Bandipur-Nagarahole range in a phased manner. The government had banned safaris last November after three forest dwellers were killed by tigers within a month and a spike in human-animal conflict involving leopards and elephants in the region. The ban was clamped on the Mysuru-Chamarajanagar belt to calm panic among locals. Trapping and relocating 25 tigers and cubs, and strict restrictions helped bring down animal attacks to zero. It has now opted for a cautious approach, with curbs on the type of vehicles allowed and hours spent in the forest.

Reopening safari tourism would mean walking a tightrope. The government will have to consider disturbed wildlife habitats and upended routines of locals, as also the 8,000-odd jobs dependent on ecotourism in the region. Incomes have dried up and protests have broken out. The losses have been heavy, with some stakeholders claiming a loss of ₹400 crore over the yearend holidays; resorts and associated businesses are unwilling to lose out on the summer holiday season coming up. Bookings have fallen by more than half, with several tourists opting for Masinagudi in Tamil Nadu and Wayanad in Kerala.

With Bandipur and Nagarahole located at a convenient 220-240 km from Bengaluru, safaris had become a favourite for weekend tourists. With vehicles roaming the ranges freely, ecotourism had become akin to an invasion of wildlife habitats. The government appears to be taking the right step forward by trimming the number of vehicles and hours, and deploying at least half the staffers on patrol along the forest borders. Tourists claim that safaris help alert foresters about animals caught in traps or lying injured after a clash. It is also argued that Karnataka uses only 10 percent of its forest area for tourism, though the Supreme Court has permitted using 20 percent. It should be kept in mind that these forests are home to 303 tigers—three-quarters of the state's population—besides around 2,000 elephants, numerous leopards and other fauna. When it comes to matters of ecology, it is best to adopt the live and let live policy, and take the middle path of sustainable tourism to minimise man-animal conflict.

QUICK TAKE

AI FOR AI SUMMIT

FOR a country that regularly manages celebrity visits to the world's largest gathering of humans, it's a shame that citizens in the national capital had to endure agonising gridlocks because the 'Kumbh of AI' is in town. On Wednesday, the AI Impact Summit threw traffic out of gear along a network of roads that spread out from the central hub hosting heads of state and global businesses. Even AI workers, those expected to realise the dreams unspooled at the summit, complained they had to walk kilometres as public transport was cordoned off near the venue. The irony is that India uses AI-enabled traffic systems like real-time adaptive control, emergency vehicle prioritisation and predictive analytics. Pity they could not be used where it would have been a fitting showcase.

By changing place names, the BJP is on an overdrive of a kind the Congress practised. Its ultimate stamp on history will be renaming the national capital

WHAT'S IN A NAME? SIGNIFICANCE OF THE NEW SIGNIFIERS

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NAMES can be as unexceptional as symbolic. However, politics takes the ritual of christening to another level, where nomenclatures are imbued with messaging, consonant with ideologies, roots and beliefs. When the Modi regime renamed the Union government's citadels of power vested for nearly eight decades in the South and North Blocks respectively as Seva Teerth and Kartavya Bhavan, the names signified the ruling BJP's grandiose sense of purpose—at least for popular consumption. Seva Teerth, which houses the Prime Minister's Office, National Security Council and the Cabinet Secretariat, translates as a place sanctified by 'service to citizens', while Kartavya Bhavan, which means 'house of duty', is home to several key ministries including finance, defence and information & broadcasting.

The etymologies are entrenched more in Sanskrit than colloquial Hindi. From the start, the BJP and some of the newer parties in the Hindi heartland such as Samajwadi Party were inclined towards purging the Hindi language of the influence of Urdu, Maithili, Awadhi and Bhojpuri, and bringing its usage as close to Sanskrit as was conceivable. To the BJP, the change represented unshackling names that originated in the colonial era. But honestly, were South and North Blocks difficult to pronounce? Drivers in the national capital, who understood the earlier names perfectly well, might take time to internalise their earnest-sounding replacements. But that's how the BJP wants the new order to be.

In 2016, two years after Narendra Modi was first sworn in as Prime Minister, Race Course Road, which housed the PM's official residence, was renamed Lok Kalyan Marg to convey a sense of openness and accessibility because the phrase means people's welfare. For all intent and purpose, the sprawling housing complex is one of the most tightly-guarded areas in Delhi, and with good reason too. In 2022, Rajpath or King's Way (music to the erstwhile colonialists' ears), the premier ceremonial boulevard that runs from Rashtrapati Bhavan to National Stadium via India Gate, was rechristened Kartavya Path (to signal duty-based governance). This 3-km stretch hosts the Republic Day pageant and was part of the ambitious revamped Central Vista Avenue.

The renaming project was not simply intended to obliterate the vestiges of British colonial rule. If that was the case, the target would be confined to the elite zones containing the repositories of power. Remember, the palimpsests holding together Indian history are voluminous and have been rewritten over and over again.

The BJP's aspiration to stamp its own version of history will be realised if and when Delhi gets the name some want: Indraprastha. So far, it's the Delhi MPs and MLAs who have flagged this demand, claiming Indraprastha was the capital of the Pandavas. They urged the Centre to rename the Old Delhi railway station and the international airport as Indraprastha. But historians such as Swapna Liddle, who have researched and written about Delhi's history, maintained it was not supported by archaeological evidence.

Facts—or their absence—do not deter the BJP's elected representatives in their crusade, if it can be called that, to change names. Senior Delhi minister Pravesh Sahib Singh insisted that Talkatora Stadium should be called Bhagwan Maharishi Valmiki Stadium, ostensibly to wipe out a 'Mughal' resonance. Talkatora is a portmanteau of '*tal*' meaning tank and '*katora*' indicating a bowl. During Firoz Shah Tughlaq's reign, it was a natural depression that functioned as a water harvesting system fed by different streams. The BJP remembers it as a battlefield where the Marathas clashed with the Mughal army when they raided Delhi. Singh's choice of name was dictated by politics: Valmiki was the author of the *Ramayana* and a Dalit.

The polemics over name-changing cannot simply be framed as an instrument to 'correct historical wrongs', which then inevitably becomes a BJP versus others, or a 'secular' versus 'communal' debate.

What was the Congress regime's agenda but to enable one family to appropriate India's post-1947 history as though the multiple strands that weave together the complex narrative of an ongoing story didn't matter? According to an RTI query, by the early 2000s, as many as 12 central and 52 state schemes, 28 sports tournaments and trophies, 19 stadiums, five airports and ports, 98 educational institutions, 51 awards, 15 fellowships, 15 national parks and sanctuaries, 39 hospitals and medical institutions, and 74 roads, buildings and places were named after Jawaharlal Nehru, Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi. Of course, to impart a semblance of neutrality, every city has a road named after Mahatma Gandhi, which invariably triggers a controversy on who was a bigger catalyst in the freedom struggle: Gandhi, Nehru or someone else.

In 2016, the Modi government re-titled the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library Society, set up in April 1966, as the Prime Ministers' Museum and Library, to display the lives, contributions and visions of all the PMs. From the BJP's viewpoint, it was a way of righting a historical wrong—a point that went undisputed, excepting for dissenting murmurs from the Congress.

However, when the present regime changed the historic Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act with Viksit Bharat-Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission Gramin—abbreviated as VB-G RAM G—what was the purpose, except to deny the Congress ownership of a legislation whose benefits to the rural populace were undeniable? Does the insertion of Ram, even as a clever acronym, have nothing to do with religion?

In her essay titled *Renaming Places in India: Conjuring the Present by Exorcising a Past*, academic Rachna Mehra cites the example of replacing a road in Lutyens' Delhi named after Aurangzeb, "considered to be a bigot by many scholars", with the more benign A P J Abdul Kalam in 2015. "Both figures belonged to the same minority community, but replacing Emperor Aurangzeb with Kalam's name indicates the kind of loyalty expected from a citizen who in today's day and age needs to prove his credentials by contributing to the welfare of the country," writes Mehra.

Changing names is embedded in the RSS's political worldview. So, the spree—which has had the most traction in Uttar Pradesh—is unstoppable. However, the gains to be reaped from renaming are indeterminate, unlike the more visible displays of minority-bashing and persecution that deepen communal polarisation.

(Views are personal)

MINDING EVERY BREATH WE TAKE

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OVER the years, the city of Bengaluru has changed. As a practising clinician and pulmonologist, I have observed that the incidence and nature of airway problems in the city have changed, too. As we are morphing from a lush garden city to a concrete jungle, there is a loss of lung spaces and breathing corridors.

The historical accounts of the major lakes of Bengaluru are well known. Only a few of the nine-odd have survived. A recent visit to a residence in Benniganahalli and the Ramamurthy Nagar Welfare Association revealed that the residents *de novo* took up the task of reviving the Benniganahalli lake and crafting a wonderful breathing space with a walkway and greenery. So, changing for the better is possible too.

Recently, the government of Karnataka constituted an expert committee to analyse the effect of air quality index changes on healthcare under the National Programme on Climate Change and Human Health. The analysis, involving 1.25 lakh records, showed a high correlation between the incidence of acute respiratory infections and air-quality trends, with a strong seasonal pattern. The surge of infections heightened in the winter months (December-January) and a second surge was noted post-monsoon (August-September). A significant upward trajectory of about 77 percent was noted between 2023 and 2025.

However, respiratory infections' relationship with AQI is complex. It appears that in most cases, AQI exceeding 100 acts as an amplifying factor. The volume of infections is often driven more by viral transmission dynamics. There is spatial distribution with biological mechanisms confined in urban Bengaluru, where high population density facilitates rapid transmission. Particulate matter of less than 2.5 and 10 micrometres in diameter induce oxidative stress and airway inflammation, impairing mucociliary clearance. All these factors lead to adverse health effects. Local epidemiological evidence coupled with time series analysis of hospital admissions demonstrate that daily fluctuations in PM 2.5 significantly increase hospital visits or admissions for asthma and respiratory emergencies.

The health effects of air pollution include increase in episodes of conjunctival irritation, upper airway symptoms, increase in allergic rhinitis, worsening asthma control, worsening symptoms of short-term chronic obstructive airway disease and long-term decline in lung functions. The non-respiratory effects include skin issues, cardiac impairments, increased clotting, metabolic changes and increase in strokes. The strongest evidence is in cardiac involvement, as documented in several studies.

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While we are aware of many adverse health implications of polluted air outdoors, we often ignore indoor pollution. There are many steps that individuals and institutions can take to reduce its deleterious effects. Taking an influenza vaccine shot before each winter can be an effective intervention

A study evaluated over 1.36 lakh subjects between 2007 and 2013 for cardiovascular effects of long-term exposure to air pollution. This large study, whose subjects did not have prior cardiac issues, showed that PM 2.5 increased the risk of major cardiovascular diseases. The results stated that every 1 microgram per cubic metre increase in long-term exposure to fine particulate matter (PM 2.5 or smaller) is associated with a 36 percent increased risk of cardiovascular events.

While outdoor air pollution gets a lot of attention, indoor pollution hardly gets any. Apart from particulate matter, older buildings release higher amounts of Radon, with serious health implications especially for the elderly and homemakers, who tend to get exposed to the radioactive element more. When the building industry takes away breathing spaces, gardens and trees, it increases or amplifies both indoor and outdoor pollution.

What is the need of the hour? It is a proactive winter action plan with evidence-based interventions like monitoring indoor air quality, enforcing stringent dust control measures at construction sites, vaccination, revival of lakes, and constructing green corridors and public walkways. This includes system-level emission curbs in the transport industry that deals with fossil fuels, traffic curbs and improvement in mass transit, close attention to biomass burning, dust storms and temperature increase; and a facilitated migration to clean energy and carbon-capture mechanisms.

The effects of air pollution are not limited to asthma exacerbation alone or upper-airway issues. It is also closely linked to cardiac rhythm issues, premature mortality and general wellbeing of individuals. Therefore, there is a need for the public, the construction industry, non-government agencies, and regional and central government officials to join hands in making tangible and enduring changes to ensure cleaner air.

At the community and institutional levels, schools and workplaces in high-traffic areas need to be treated as priority zones. Better indoor ventilation and filtration, shifting outdoor assemblies or sports away from peak pollution hours, and creating low-exposure drop-off points for children are small, practical steps that reduce the dose of pollution without paralysing daily life.

Hospitals and clinics, meanwhile, should fast-track patients with viral flu-like illness and upper-airway symptoms. Ensure masking in crowded waiting rooms, especially during peak hours. Such measures will reduce the spread of infection. At the individual level, there are a few high-yield actions including vaccination, with an annual influenza shot before August-September arguably the single-most effective personal respiratory intervention. Others include timing outdoor activities by monitoring AQI, using proper N95 masks, and not ignoring the 'minor' symptoms and consulting a physician before things get exacerbated.

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Partnership potential

Ref: *Delhi, Paris craft global stability* (Feb 19). Strategic intent must translate into clear outcomes. Joint defence production, technology transfer and supply chain resilience should be backed by transparent timelines and parliamentary oversight. Expanding academic exchanges and industry collaboration will ensure the partnership benefits ordinary citizens too.
S M Jeeva, Chennai

Trust judges

Ref: *The idea of neutral law* (Feb 19). The more society is modernised, the more people cling to religion. Indian laws are undoubtedly neutral for the secular country we are. The notion that a judge's perspective is shaped by birth, religion and ideology seems absurd. Once judges attain authority, individual beliefs take a back seat.
Jaikishan N, Bengaluru

Summit blunder

Ref: *Galgotias Univ chucked* (Feb 19). Innovation is welcome; imitation with amnesia is not. The damage control that followed the incident—blame a professor, shut the stall—exposes communication breakdown. Perhaps a rebranding to 'Galti Ho Gaya University' would be more accurate.
N Nagarajan, Hyderabad

Reservation rights

Ref: *Muslim reservation* (Feb 19). The move potentially widens educational and employment disparities in a diverse state like Maharashtra. Authorities should conduct a comprehensive review of reservation policies to ensure they align with the Constitution while protecting vulnerable communities. Transparent consultations could foster inclusive solutions.
Prakhar Mishra, Dhenkanal

Bangladesh assurance

Ref: *B'desh PM pledges safety for all faiths* (Feb 19). The stern remark is really heartening. It comes as a shot in the arm amid growing uncertainties. It appears that PM Tarique Rahman means business.
S Ramakrishnasayee, email

Sanju's prospects

Ref: *India's Abhishek issue* (Feb 19). Repeated ducks by the opener could be a rotten apple in the bunch for the defending champions. It's time explosive openers like Sanju Samson are given a chance to play in the Super 8. 'Experts' not confident with Samson's prospects should not be taken seriously.
Devadas V, Kannur

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Akhilesh Yadav @yadavakhilesh
One more tank couldn't bear the burden of BJP corruption. Earlier, the "Collapsing Tank News" used to come once a month, now these reports have started coming weekly.

Nitin Gadkari @nitin_gadkari
On the occasion of Chhatrapati Shri Shivaji Maharaj's birth anniversary, I paid my respects to Maharaj at his residence in Nagpur along with my grandchildren.

Sachin Pilot @SachinPilot
Trade deal with the US, which includes India's agri sector and trade related to "energy security/strategic independence," shows that the Centre buckled under US pressure.

Former Microsoft CEO was expected to speak along with heads of states and Google, OpenAI, Anthropic heads

OpenAI CEO Sam Altman and Anthropic CEO Dario Amodei, Google CEO Sundar Pichai with Prime Minister Narendra Modi holding hands during a group photo at the India AI Impact Summit in Bharat Mandapam on Thursday | SHEKHAR YADAV/PTI

TECH Talk

SCHOOF CALLS FOR SHARED NORMS FOR RESPONSIBLE AI

Countries must come together to establish shared norms for responsible AI, Dutch Prime Minister Dick Schoof said on Thursday, as competition intensifies between the US and China over AI strategy. He stressed the importance of collaborative governance frameworks, particularly with India. "The fact that the US and China are not at this conference shows that other countries do see (advantage) of working together with India to see how we can manage AI in a way that we believe in," he said.

FINLAND PM HAILS PACT BETWEEN EU AND INDIA

Finland Prime Minister Petteri Orpo on Thursday hailed the newly concluded European Union–India Free Trade Agreement as a major boost to global economic openness during his visit to New Delhi. Speaking on the sidelines of bilateral talks and the India AI Impact Summit, Orpo expressed strong support for the pact, which is expected to create near-free trade opportunities for almost two billion people. "Every single European leader is united... it gives us huge potential, to both of us," he said.

POWER PACK

Gates skips summit after 'careful consideration'

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

BILLIONAIRE philanthropist Bill Gates cancelled his keynote speech at India's AI Impact Summit on Thursday, just hours before he was scheduled to speak at Bharat Mandapam.

Gates had been allotted a 12-minute address alongside a high-profile line-up that included Prime Minister Narendra Modi, French President Emmanuel Macron, Google CEO Sundar Pichai, OpenAI chief Sam Altman and Anthropic CEO Dario Amodei.

In a statement, the Gates Foundation said, "After careful consideration, and to ensure the focus remains on the AI Summit's key priorities, Mr Gates will not be delivering his keynote address." It added that the foundation would be represented by Ankur Vora, president of its Africa and India offices. "The Gates Foundation remains fully committed to its work in India to advance shared health and development goals," the statement said.

Gates's name had disappeared from the summit's key participants list on Tuesday morning, despite organisers earlier maintaining he would attend as scheduled. The decision to withdraw came amid discomfort among sections of the organisers after Gates's name appeared in documents recently released by the US Department of Justice related to late financier and convicted sex offender Jeffrey Epstein.

The documents include email exchanges between Epstein and foundation staff and indicate that Gates met Epstein multiple times after the latter's prison term to discuss philanthropic initiatives. Gates has previously said that the meetings were confined to philanthropy-related discussions and described his association with Epstein as "a mistake".

While no victim has accused Gates of wrongdoing, the released records also include an allegation by Epstein that Gates contracted a sexually transmitted disease — a claim Gates's spokesperson has called "absolutely absurd".

The summit's participant list had been finalised months ago, while the latest document disclosures surfaced only in recent weeks.

Gates arrived in India on February 16 and travelled to Vijayawada, where he met Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu, Deputy Chief Minister K Pawan Kalyan and other senior officials before heading to New Delhi for the summit.

22 states/UTs asked to be prepared as SIR exercise to begin in Apr

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

AIMING to launch Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in 22 remaining states and Union Territories in April 2026, the Election Commission of India has asked Chief Electoral Officers to complete all preparatory work at the earliest.

The third and final phase of the SIR will cover Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Chandigarh, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Ladakh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, NCT of Delhi, Odisha, Punjab, Sikkim, Tripura, Telangana and Uttarakhand.

In a letter, ECI Secretary Pawan Diwan said the exercise is expected to begin in April 2026 and officials must finish preparations without delay before that.

He referred to the letter dated June 24, 2025, which directed SIRs in all states and Union Territories. A subsequent letter dated July 5 asked all Chief Electoral Officers, except those in Bihar, to begin pre-revision activities. Later, on October 27 in the same year, the Commission announced the SIR in 12 states and Union Territories, where it is underway.

Once the SIR starts, Booth Level Officers will conduct door-to-door verification. Two forms will be filled out for each voter, one kept by the voter and the other by the officer.

The form will include a new colour photograph, EPIC number, father's name and booth and constituency details. Verification will continue for one month.

After this, a draft booth-wise electoral roll will be published at polling booths and online. Claims and objections will be invited, and hearings will take place over the next month, including virtual hearings. The final roll will then be published. The entire process is expected to conclude within three months.

In Bihar, the SIR exercise has been completed, while it is ongoing in nine other states and three Union Territories, including West Bengal, where the exercise led to several hearings in the Supreme Court. In Assam, a special revision, instead of SIR, was completed on February 10.

STATUS UPDATE

- SIR completed in Bihar
- Revision exercise underway in 9 states & 3 UTs
- West Bengal has opposed the process leading to a Supreme Court case
- 'Special revision' (not SIR) completed in Assam in Feb

India & Israel ink def MoU, firm up ties

JAVARIA RANA @ Visakhapatnam

IN a clear signal that defence will remain central to their bilateral agenda, India and Israel have inked a new Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) ahead of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to the country February 25, institutionalising deeper collaboration between the defence industries.

The MoU followed a strategic industry engagement led by International Defence Cooperation Directorate (SIBAT) under Israel's Ministry of Defense, in partnership with Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers (SIDM) and India's Ministry of Defence.

According to a statement from Israel's Ministry of Defense on Thursday, the MoU was signed at a seminar led by SIBAT Director Brig Gen (Res) Yair Kulas.

The event brought together small, medium and large Israeli and Indian defence companies with the objective of deepening familiarity with India's defence industrial ecosystem and its updated Defence Acquisition Procedure (DAP) 2026, the country's procurement policy framework.

A total of 56 companies participated, including 30 from India and 26 from Israel. "Both sides expressed their commitment to advancing the bilateral dialogue and emphasised the importance of continued cooperation between two defence industries that have stood shoulder to shoulder in times of crisis," the statement read.

The partnership between the two nations has steadily transitioned from buyer–seller transactions to joint development and structured technology collaboration. The Barak-8 surface-to-air missile system, co-developed by India's DRDO and Israel Aerospace Industries (IAI), exemplifies this shift. Now inducted into the Indian Navy, Air Force and Army, the system stands among the most significant instances of high-end technology sharing between the two countries.

Another recent milestone is the Army's induction of the Suryastra Universal long-range rocket launcher, capable of striking targets at ranges of up to 300 km.

The system is being developed through a collaboration between Israel's Elbit Systems and Pune-based Nibe Ltd. Under the arrangement, Nibe will undertake domestic production of the launchers, while Elbit will provide system integration, fire control systems and advanced munitions.

February 25 visit to be Modi's second trip to Israel

The visit to the country on February 25 will be Modi's first to Israel since July 2017, when he became the first Indian PM to travel to the country, elevating ties to a strategic partnership and expanding cooperation in defence, agriculture, innovation and technology.

DRDO conducts successful qualification test for Gaganyaan's Drogue Parachute

JAVARIA RANA @ Visakhapatnam

THE Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) on Wednesday successfully carried out a qualification-level load test of the drogue parachute for India's human spaceflight mission, Gaganyaan, at its Rail Track Rocket Sled (RTRS) facility in Chandigarh.

According to a government statement issued on Thursday, the dynamic test simulated qualification-level loads higher than the maximum loads expected during flight, thereby validating the structural strength and safety margins of the parachute system.

"The test proves India's expertise in designing and manufacturing high-strength ribbon parachutes," read the statement. Gaganyaan, led by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), aims to send a crew of three astronauts to a low-Earth orbit of about 400 km for a three-day mission and bring them back safely to Earth.

The programme involves the development of a human-rated launch vehicle, a crew module and service module, life-support systems, a crew escape mechanism and a complex recovery architecture.

Sources explained that the parachute system in a spaceflight mission is a critical component of the recovery sequence. "After atmospheric re-entry, drogue parachutes are deployed to stabilise and slow down the descending crew module before the main parachutes are released for final deceleration ahead of splashdown in the sea," said a source.

The four members selected for Gaganyaan include Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla (AC), Group Captain Prashanth Balakrishnan Nair (KC), Group Captain Ajit Krishnan, and Group Captain Angad Pratap.

DRDO has previously conducted multiple validation trials, including drogue and pilot-parachute deployment tests, integrated parachute system drop tests, and high-load simulations at the RTRS facility.

Fresh SOPs for security forces against honey-trap attempts on social media

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

THE Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPRD) has issued a fresh set of standard operating procedures (SOPs) aimed at safeguarding security and police personnel against potential honey-trapping attempts allegedly orchestrated by Pakistan-sponsored intelligence operatives.

In the advisory circulated to police and security establishments nationwide, the BPRD has cautioned security personnel against disclosing their official identity or sensitive professional details on social media platforms. BPRD officials warned that hostile intelligence actors are increasingly creating fake online profiles to befriend and manipulate security personnel in a bid to extract classified operational information from them.

The SOPs direct officers to restrict their online presence, limit visibility of personal accounts to trusted contacts, and reject friend requests from unknown individuals. Personnel have also been instructed not to link personal and professional accounts and to refrain from using social media platforms for official communication.

Additionally, the guidelines stress the adoption of robust cyber hygiene practices, including the use of strong and unique passwords, enabling two-factor authentication, and periodically reviewing privacy settings. Officers have been advised to delete suspicious links and unverified applications on their digital devices and not open unsolicited attachments, a senior security official said.

The SOPs also outline immediate responses if an officer is suspected to have been compromised. These include prompt seizure of digital devices to prevent deletion of potential evidence and detailed questioning of the individual concerned in coordination with the Intelligence Bureau and counter-intelligence units of state police departments.

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• Linking personal email and social media accounts with professional accounts
• Using social media apps for official communication
• Installing unverified apps

SC to start hearing anti-CAA pleas on May 5

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Thursday said that it will commence the final hearing from May 5 on over 200 petitions challenging the constitutional validity of the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019 (CAA).

The CAA seeks to grant citizenship to migrants belonging to Hindu, Sikh, Buddhist, Christian, Jain and Parsi communities who came to India from Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afghanistan on or before December 31, 2014.

A bench comprising Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justices Joymalaya Bagchi and Vipul M Pancholi issued procedural directions with regard to final hearings on the petitions which have been pending since 2019-2020. The bench said it will hear petitioners, including the leader of the Indian Union of Muslim League (IUML), for one-and-a-half days, and the Centre will be granted a day for advancing its arguments. "The cases shall be listed sequentially for the final hearing beginning the week of May 5," the bench said.

On Thursday, the court said, "We can first take up the pan-India batch, followed by the Assam and Tripura cases," the bench said. It said Assam's problem is different from the rest of the country, as the earlier cut-off date for citizenship was March 24, 1971, which under the CAA was extended to December 31, 2014. These matters were last listed before a bench on March 19, 2024, when it asked the Centre to respond to interim applications seeking a stay on the implementation of the Citizenship (Amendment) Rules, 2024, till the apex court disposes of the pleas challenging the validity of the law.

The SC, however, refused to stay operation of the rules as sought by senior advocates. While granting liberty to place on record any material and documents on written submissions within four weeks, the court said no writ petition will be allowed on written submissions already placed on record.

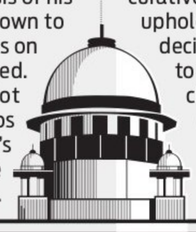
ALSO IN TOP COURT

Wangchuk not given videos, SC told

Sonam Wangchuk's wife Gitanjali J Angmo alleged in the SC that four videos which formed the basis of his detention were not shown to him,only thumbnails on pen drive were displayed. Kapil Sibal, said that not supplying the videos violated Wangchuk's right to effective representation .

Patanjali's curative plea dismissed

In a setback to the Patanjali Yogpeeth Trust, the Supreme Court has dismissed its curative petition while upholding a tribunal's decision that it was liable to pay service tax for charging an entry fee for organising yoga camps, both residential and non-residential.



Filmmaker granted bail in cheating case

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Tuesday granted bail to filmmaker Vikram Bhatt in an alleged ₹33 crore cheating case.

A three-judge bench of Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justices Joymalya Bagchi and Vipul M Pancholi also regularised the interim bail granted earlier to Bhatt's wife, Shwetambari Bhatt, in the case.

"It seems to us that a dispute essentially pertains to a commercial transaction, though the ingredients of committing the offence of cheating, etc., have been expressly mentioned in the FIR. It may be appropriate for the parties to resolve the disputes through mediation. Regular bail has been granted with expectation that the appellants will try and make efforts for amicable resolution of the dispute," the SC said.

BODY RECOVERED

The body of a woman who went missing last week was found in a pond in Rajasthan's Rajsamand district on Thursday, while police are searching for her minor son in a nearby forest.

1 MAN AND WIFE HELD FOR KILLING HER LOVER IN MUMBRA

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	33	22	Mumbai	29	23
Bhopal	28	17	Panaji	32	23
Jaipur	26	14	Patna	29	18
Amritsar	26	12	Lucknow	29	16
Chennai	28	24	Port Blair	29	27
Kolkata	32	18	Imphal	27	12
Srinagar	12	01	Chandigarh	26	13

Petitioners say facts concealed during nomination filing ● Review sought over revenue loss

HC notices to 42 MLAs for 'misinfo' in poll affidavits

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

THE Patna High Court on Thursday issued notices to 42 MLAs from the ruling and opposition parties in Bihar, seeking their responses to petitions accusing them of indulging in voting irregularities and concealing information in their election affidavits during the 2025 assembly polls.

Defeated candidates had filed petitions in the HC against the MLAs. During the preliminary hearing on the petitions, the HC issued notices to the MLAs. The leaders who have been issued notices include speaker Prem Kumar, finance and energy minister and JD (U) leader Bijendra Yadav, BJP MLA Jivesh Mishra, JD (U) MLA Chetan Anand, and RJD MLA Amendra Prasad, among others. In the next hearing, the court will decide the next course of action based on the responses and evidence from the parties involved.

Senior advocate Shashi Bhushan Mangalam claimed that notices were served to MLAs as they did not provide full and correct information in their poll affidavits. MLAs had left blank a few paragraphs in the affidavits when it is incumbent upon candidates to provide information on all points in the prescribed format.

The petitioners contended that despite this, returning officers accepted nomination papers as valid. Some defeated candidates and some voters then filed petitions, contending that concealing facts in the affidavits was serious as it compromised with the transparency of the election process.

Meanwhile, former deputy chief minister and BJP MLA Tarkishore Prasad said, "Only when the affidavit is filed, we can say what the matter is. Many types of cases keep coming to the High Court. I have faced this before, so I will present my point of view at the tight time." JD (U) MLA Vijay Singh denied irregularities and accused the Opposition of doing all the work since they have no vision. "We did not hide any information, as claimed in petitions against us," he added.

CPI (ML) MLA Virendra Prasad said there were allegations of irregularities, ranging from EVM malfunctions to payment of ₹10,000 to women and others. "We will definitely respond to the notices."

RJD's Prasad denied giving any false information or hiding any information. RJD MLA Amarendra Prasad said, "We were already opposing the SIR. In such a situation, why would they give false information?"

Defeated candidates move the High Court

Defeated candidates had filed petitions in the Patna High Court against the MLAs. Senior advocate Shashi Bhushan Mangalam contended that the MLAs had left blank a few paragraphs in the affidavits when it is incumbent upon candidates to provide information on all points in the prescribed format during filing of nomiations.

Nitish says won't take a relook at prohibition law

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

THE Bihar government on Thursday outrightly rejected demands for reviewing decade-old prohibition law, contending that that the ban on liquor was imposed after taking all political parties into confidence.

"It was a unanimous decision of all parties," Parliamentary Affairs Minister Vijay Kumar Chaudhary said.

On Wednesday, Union minister and Hindustani Awam Morcha patron Jitan Ram Manjhi and Upendra Kushwaha's Rastriya Lok Morcha MLA Madhav Anand, both part of the ruling NDA, had sought a review of the prohibition policy, saying it has caused huge financial losses to the state.

Both Manjhi and Anand claimed that the state incurred a loss of more than ₹3,000 crore per anum due to liquor ban. The huge financial loss is also taking its toll on the state's development, they said, adding that it was high time to review the law in the larger interest of the state.

Chaudhary said, "Law was passed in the state legislature after taking all the parties onboard. There should be no question of reviewing it."

Karni Sena threatens to 'shoot' Rahul, MPs for 'misbehaving' with Birla

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

COMING down heavily on the death threats issued allegedly by Karni Sena to Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi and "25 other MPs", the Congress on Thursday said the RSS-BJP ecosystem is a "Godse factory".

The man, who identified himself as Raj Singh, the spokesperson of the Karni Sena, said in a purported video that all BJP and Karni Sena workers were angered by the way 25 Congress MPs verbally abused Speaker Om Birla in the Lok Sabha during the recently concluded first part of the Budget session of Parliament. After the video surfaced on social media, Singh was detained by Kota police.

Sharing the video on X, Congress' media and publicity department head Pawan Khera said, "The RSS-BJP ecosystem is a 'Godse factory'. The threat issued by the so called Karni Sena against Rahul Gandhi and the '25 MPs' is not an isolated outburst. It is part of a calculated and devious plan." First, Kiren Rijiju publicly "lied and misled" the nation that Congress MPs abused Birla -- a claim contradicted by available video footage, which shows no such abuse, Khera said, adding that the Speaker is seen smiling during the exchange.

"Then, BJP MPs across platforms began echoing a similar line: that Rahul Gandhi poses 'the biggest threat to India's national security.'" Khera said.

Congress general secretary K C Venugopal said "self-proclaimed Modi bhakts are brazenly issuing death threats against Rahul Gandhi in broad daylight -- without any reprimand from the ruling regime".

"This is a direct result of the toxic culture of animosity and vengeance created by the BJP in national discourse - right from Parliament to political rallies," Venugopal said.

'Deliberate campaign to demonise Opposition'

Taking strong exception to the video of the Karni Sena, the Congress alleged that there is a deliberate campaign to demonise the Opposition, and legitimise violence against political rivals, especially Gandhi. "It is part of a calculated and devious plan," Pawan Khera said.

JAIPUR DIARY

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Budget session marred by coarse discourse

The tone of debates in the Rajasthan legislative Assembly appears to be slipping sharply as proceedings in the current budget session have been marred by coarse remarks and cheap gestures. The decline began after Congress MLA Rohit Bohra made an obscene gesture, triggering a backlash. Next, BJP MLA Bahadur Singh Koli escalated the rhetoric with a controversial analogy comparing former CM Ashok Gehlot's budget to a "daughter born in old age" and the current government led by Bhajan Lal Sharma to a "son born in youth." This remark snowballed into a big controversy and renewed concerns about failing decorum in the House.

Varsity diktat on staff meet kicks up a storm

A recent order instructing professors at Rajasthan Sanskrit University not to hold discussions in rooms inside the administrative building without prior permission from the Vice-Chancellor or Registrar has triggered teachers' protests. Faculty members have written to V-C Madan Mohan Jha, demanding that the order be withdrawn. They have also warned that they will escalate the matter to the Governor and the CM if the matter is not resolved. Defending the move, the V-C has cited a freeze in recruitment that has led to staff shortages. The administration claims frequent discussions among staffers were affecting workflow and causing backlogs.

IAS officers tie the knot at Alwar Collectorate

A heartwarming scene played out at the collector's office in Alwar this week as 2023-batch IAS officers Madhav Bhardwaj and Aditi registered their marriage under the Special Marriage Act. The couple exchanged garlands in a quiet, simple ceremony in their parents' presence. Madhav is currently posted as the SDM in Alwar, while Aditi serves as the SDM in Gujarat's Jamnagar. They fell in love during training at the LBS National Academy of Administration in Mussoorie. The newlyweds plan to solemnise their marriage again with traditional Hindu rituals.

CARDIAC ARREST

Shillong MP dies at 54 while playing football

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

SHILLONG Lok Sabha MP Ricky AJ Syngkon died on Thursday after suffering a cardiac arrest. He was 54.

According to reports, Syngkon was playing football in the Mawiong area of Shillong when he suddenly collapsed. He was rushed to a hospital where he was declared dead, local media reported.

As news about Syngkon's death spread, his supporters as well as political leaders, including Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma and Deputy Chief Minister Prestone Tynsong, rushed to the hospital.

"Shocked to hear the sudden demise of Shillong MP Ricky Syngkon," TIPRA Motha Party founder Pradyot Bikram Manikya Debbarma wrote on social media, paying his tribute.

Syngkon was the general secretary of the Voice of the People Party. He got elected to the Lok Sabha in 2023 after defeating five others, including state Congress president Vincent H Pala. Syngkon was known for his public engagements and grassroots outreach across the Khasi-Jaintia Hills.

Earlier, he was an assistant professor in the Department of Economics at the North-Eastern Hill University.

Didi comes down heavily on Modi over 'Swami' prefix for Sri Ramakrishna

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

CHIEF Minister Mamata Banerjee on Thursday criticised Prime Minister Narendra Modi for using the prefix "Swami" before the name of Ramakrishna Paramahamsa in a social media post marking his birth anniversary, alleging that the Prime Minister displayed "cultural insensitivity to great figures" of the state.

Banerjee said the prime minister had shown "cultural insensitivity to great figures" of the state. She pointed out that Ramakrishna is widely known as "Thakur" in Bengal. Writing on X, she reacted strongly to the post. "Shocked again! Yet again, our prime minister aggressively displays his cultural insensitivity to the great figures of Bengal. Today is the janmatithi of Yugavatara (God's incarnation in our age), Sri Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsadeva. While trying to hail the great saint on this occasion, our PM added an unprecedented and improper prefix to the great saint's name, "Swami," she wrote.

She repeated her objection clearly. "While trying to hail the great saint on this occasion, our PM added an unprecedented and improper prefix to the great saint's name, "Swami"!"

Not an isolated case

This is not the first such dispute. Months ago, Modi faced criticism after calling Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay "Bankim da" during a speech he gave on Vande Mataram in Parliament. CM Banerjee's party said that it was "disrespectful to the literary icon" and "culturally insensitive."

Banerjee explained that Sri Ramakrishna was revered as Thakur, meaning God. She noted that after his death, his disciples formed the Ramakrishna Math and the Ramakrishna Mission, and those monks were called "Swami." But the Master himself remained Thakur. The order's holy trinity, she said, is Thakur–Ma–Swamiji, referring to Sarada Devi and Swami Vivekananda.

"I urge the PM kindly not to discover new prefixes and suffixes for the great Renaissance figures of Bengal who shaped modern India," she wrote.

Gujarat tribal upkeep gap widens despite ample fund

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

WHILE the Gujarat government made large allocations for tribal development in the last two financial years, a significant portion of this money lies unused. Tribal Development Minister Naresh Patel told the Assembly on Thursday that the government allocated ₹7,106 crore for tribal welfare in two years, but ₹1,321 crore remain unspent.

The reply shows that the government made a budgetary provision of ₹4,373.96 crore for the tribal communities in 2024-25. However, only ₹3,407.22 crore was formally allocated, which could have happened on account of early filtering of projects. Out of this, ₹3,373.38 crore was actually spent.

But the spending gap widened in the next financial year. Against a budget provision of ₹5,120.03 crore, only ₹3,699.03 crore was allocated till January 31, 2026. Only ₹2,410.64 crore was utilised, leaving a sizeable amount of ₹1,288.39 crore idle, which is nearly one-third of the allocated funds. The unspent figure of 2025-26 forms the bulk of idle funds in the tribal welfare category.

Experts suggest that the utilisation mismatch indicates administrative capacity to execute new projects may not have been scaled up to absorb the larger allocation. The government attributed the underutilisation of the allocations to procedural and operational delays, stating that expenditure flows are staggered due to monthly and quarterly spending patterns. It cited time taken in selecting projects during planning, approval and implementation stages.

UTILISATION GAPS

₹7,106 CR

CUMULATIVE ALLOCATION IN 2024–25 AND 2025–26

2024–25	2025–26*
₹4,373.96 cr Budget provision	₹5,120.03 cr Budget provision
₹3,407.22 cr Actual allocations	₹3,699.03 cr Actual allocations
₹3,373.38 cr Amount spent	₹2,410.64 cr Amount spent

*till January 31

REASONS FOR UNSPENT FUNDS

- Allocation filtering at approval stage
- Delays in project selection and approvals
- Long beneficiary verification timelines
- Processing and disbursement delays

18 posts vacant in SC welfare monitoring body

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

Gujarat's Social Justice and Empowerment Minister Pradyuman Vaja has said in the Assembly that a specialised civic unit set up under the director of the SC Welfare Department to monitor atrocities against the community is understaffed, with 58 out of the 76 sanctioned posts being filled.

Vaja said the civic unit has three sanctioned posts at the level of joint director (vigilance), but now two of them are vacant. Also, all five sanctioned posts for social welfare officers are vacant, three of which are lying vacant for over a year.

The civic body also has no statistical assistants, with all three posts vacant for over three years. Of the 18 vacant posts, eight have been vacant for less than a year, seven vacant between one to three years and three have remained vacant for more over three years.

The minister told the House that the recruitment process to fill the vacancies is underway.

Umpire dies, many players injured in bee attack during cricket match in UP

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

WHAT began as a routine under-13 cricket league fixture on a winter morning in Unnao, barely 70 kilometres from the state capital Lucknow, ended in shock and mourning on Wednesday evening after a swarm of honeybees attacked players and officials, killing a 65-year-old umpire, Manik Gupta.

The incident occurred at Rahul Sapru ground in the Gangaghat Kotwali area, where around 40 to 45 people—including young cricketers from Kanpur and Lucknow, umpires and ground staff—had assembled for a friendly competitive match. Within minutes, the calm of the morning gave way to panic as a massive swarm of bees descended on the field.

Eyewitnesses said a beehive hung from a banyan tree adjoining the boundary wall. Bees had been hovering around since early morning. At about 8.30 am, the situation spiralled.

A full swarm broke loose and attacked everyone on the ground. For nearly 15 minutes, chaos prevailed as players, officials and staff ran for cover.

In all, between 40 and 50 people were stung. Among those caught in the swarm was Manik Gupta, a Kanpur resident and an empanelled umpire with the Kanpur Cricket Association for nearly three decades. According to local sources and fellow umpire Sunil Kumar Nishad, Gupta was seated near the field when the swarm intensified. He had just officiated the first Sunil Tiwari Memorial Under-13 league match on an adjacent ground and had walked over to watch another match where his colleagues were on duty.

As he tried to escape the bees, Gupta stumbled and fell. Over 50 bees reportedly surrounded him, stinging him repeatedly for nearly 10 continuous minutes. A heart patient, he soon began losing consciousness as his condition deteriorated rapidly. Kanpur Cricket Association president SN Singh said the attack was so severe that even while Gupta was being taken to the hospital, "bees were sticking to his face and body."

Gupta, among others, was rushed to a hospital, where the doctors declared him dead upon arrival. The exact reason behind the bee attack remains unclear. It has yet to be determined whether the hive was disturbed by a cricket ball or by some other external factor that triggered the swarm.

FOREIGN FIASCO

Amid rising racial attacks in Australia, Punjab man left with broken nose

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

A 22-year-old Indian-origin man from Punjab was allegedly assaulted by three men in a suspected racial attack at a gym in Geelong near Melbourne, Australia. The man, working as a nurse, was left with a broken nose.

Harmanpreet Singh told local media that he was confronted by three men while training inside a gym. He said they verbally abused him and continued harassing him outside the gym. Singh alleged that as he stepped out, the three men were waiting and called him an "Indian dog" and told him to "go back to where you came from."

He said one of them then hit his nose with his head, causing heavy bleeding. "He got really close to my face and then just got really back and hit his head on my nose," Singh alleged and added that they fled immediately after the attack.

The incident comes amid what community members describe as a spike in racial attacks, ranging from assaults to hate crimes. Singh said he was traumatised by the assault and racial abuse. Local residents took him to hospital, where doctors told him that he may need surgery.

> He (attacker) came close to me and hit my nose with his head. He told me to go back to India from where I come from"
>
> **Harmanpreet Singh,** Nurse

Doctors advise surgery

Doctors advised Singh that he may need specialist treatment and surgery for his injuries.

Indian-origin Canadian trucker held, 266 kg of methamphetamine seized

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

AN Indian-origin Canadian trucker has been arrested and charged by the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) for attempting to smuggle 266 kg of methamphetamine into the country. The CBSA said that on February 4, a commercial truck arriving at the Blue Water Bridge port of entry from the US was referred by a border services officer for secondary examination. During the inspection of the trailer, officers, with the assistance of a detector dog, found 16 duffel bags containing suspected methamphetamine weighing 266.4 kg.

The CBSA arrested 29-year-old Kulbir Singh of Ontario, transferred the seized narcotics to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Singh has been charged by the RCMP with importation of the drugs and possession of methamphetamine for the purpose of trafficking under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act.

Michael Prosia, regional director general, southern Ontario region, CBSA, said, "This seizure shows the effectiveness of border services officers in intercepting illegal drugs and keeping Canadian communities safe."

Minister of Public Safety Gary Anandasangaree said, "Our government's top priority is to ensure the safety and security of Canadians. Border services officers serve as our first line of defence against transnational crime."

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SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (KW-3)

(Two Cover System) (E-PROCUREMENT PORTAL ONLY)

On behalf of the Commissioner, KSDB, Bengaluru, The Executive Engineer, No. 1 Division, Mysore invites tender from eligible Tenderers for Providing UGD, External Water Supply water proofing, STP & under Ground water storage tank to 65 G & G + 1 Houses constructed under PMAY-HFA Scheme at Pourakarmikara colony, Sakleshpura town in Sakleshpura Member of Legislative Assembly Constituency in Hassan District Tender notification, schedule, specification are available in the website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

1	Date & Time for Pre Bid Meeting	23.02.2026 at 11.00 hours
2	Last Date & Time for Tender Queries/Clarifications	25.02.2026 Up to 16.00 hours
3	Last Date & Time for receipt of tenders	27.02.2026 Up to 16.00 hours
4	Date & Time for Opening of Technical Bid	02.03.2026 at 11.00 hours
5	Date & Time for Opening Financial Bid	06.03.2026 at 11.00 hours

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TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPP Portal)

Tenders invited through e-Procurement Portal (Website URL: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**) for the following works.

No.: KPCL/2025-26/DA/WORK_INDENT3961 Dtd: 13.02.2026

Name of the work: Providing Hand rails near Security checkpost including other improvement works at Savehaklu Dam. Amount put to tender: **Rs. 9.30 lakhs** (Excluding GST). EMD: **Rs. 23,250/-.** Last date for tender submission: **21.02.2026 up to 4.30 hours.** Further details can be had from the Executive Engineer (Civil), Masthikatte, Hosanagara, Shimoga District. Mob.: 9449598842.

(1) No.: KPCL/2025-26/IND2356/Call-2, Dtd: 13.02.2026. **Name of the work:** Supply of Electronics items to VHEP, Hosangadi-576282. EMD: **Rs. 18,174/-.** Last date for tender submission: **28.02.2026 up to 15.00 hours.**

(2) No.: KPCL/2025-26/IND2419, Dtd: 16.02.2026. **Name of the work:** Supply of Compressor spares to VHEP, Hosangadi-576282. EMD: **Rs. 6,906/-.** Last date for tender submission: **03.03.2026 up to 15.00 hours.**

(3) No.: KPCL/2025-26/IND2067/Call-4, Dtd: 17.02.2026. **Name of the work:** Supply of Cables, Conductors, Wires and Cable jointing materials to VHEP, Hosangadi-576282. EMD: **Rs. 46,305/-.** Last date for tender submission: **04.03.2026 up to 15.00 hours.**

(4) No.: KPCL/2025-26/IND2417, Dtd: 16.02.2026. **Name of the work:** Supply of LT Switch gear items to VHEP, Hosangadi-576282. EMD: **Rs. 6,905/-.** Last date for tender submission: **03.03.2026 15.00 hours.**

Further details can be had from the Executive Engineer (MSP)H, Varahi Hydro Electric Project, KPCL, Hosangadi-576282, Kundapur, Udupi. Mob: 9448182618.

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

(Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described Immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM-2 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 12.03.2026, 01:00 pm to 03.00 pm . [with unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of sale],** through E-Auction under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of **E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **11.03.2026.**

(Amt in Lakhs.)

Sl. No.	Borrower Name/ Description of the movable / immovable assets	Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice	Details and Full Description of the Property	Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price & EMD	Incremental value at the Bid
1.	**Sri T V Basavaraju** S/o Late G Venkataramiah,Residing at 1st Cross, Vinobanagar, Tumkur Town-572101. **Smt. Uma** W/o T S Kumar Residing at 1st Main Road, 6th A Cross, Hanumanthapura Extension, Tumkur Town-572101.	**Rs. 1,59,75,773.17 (Rupees One Crore Fifty Nine Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Three and Seventeen Paisa Only) plus further interest thereon from 01.02.2026 along with expenses, other charges, etc.**	**1)** Residential Site with building in Site No. S – 4, Survey number 275/1 TCC Khatha No 2490/2601, at 6th "A" Cross, 1st Main, Hanumanthapura Extn, Ward No. 28, Tumkur in the name of Mr. Basavaraju TV, Total measuring 1170 Sq ft Plinth Area. Bounded by: East by : Site No. S – 3, West by : House Constructed in Site No.S-5, North by : House belongs to Sri. Chikkanna, South by : 30 Feet Wide Road.	**12.03.2026 01.00 PM. to 03.00 PM**	**Reserve Price Rs.80.69 Lakhs EMD Rs.8.07 Lakhs**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**
			2) Residential Site with building in Site No. 77, Survey No. 304/1, 304/2 and 305, TCC Khatha No. 994/638, at 2nd Cross, 2nd Block, Kuvempunagara Extension, Ward No. 21, Tumkur in the name of Mr. Basavaraju TV, Total measuring 1500 Sq ft Plinth area of land and built up area of GF – 858 sq ft and FF & SF 898 sq ft each. Bounded by: East by : Site No. 76, West by : Site No. 78, North by : Road, South by: Site No. 131.		**Reserve Price Rs.114.81 Lakhs EMD Rs.11.49 Lakhs on or before 11.03.2026**	

OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS : (a) Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website **https://baanknet.com/** Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings. **(b)** The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer **(c)** The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process. **(d)** EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (Baanknet) portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan. **(e)** After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before **11.03.2026,** to Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore by hand OR Email. (i) Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. (ii.) Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount.(iii) Bid Form. The intending bidders should register their names at portal **https://baanknet.com/ and** get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider, **M/s.PSB Alliance (Baanknet) - e- mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com.** EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD/Sale proceeds shall not carry any interest. **(f)** Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of **Rs.1,00,000/-.** The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor. **(g)**The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. This amount shall be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM II Branch OR shall be deposited through RTGS / NEFT / Fund Transfer to credit of account of Canara Bank, ARM II Branch, A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC Code: CNRB0006298. **(h)** For sale proceeds of **Rs.50.00 Lakhs (Rupees Fifty lacs)** and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank. **(i)** All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty/GST/Registration Charges etc. As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only. **(j)** Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof. **(k)** In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the E-auction, they can approach Canara Bank Circle office, Bengaluru or Canara Bank ARM II Branch, Bengaluru, who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements. **(l)** Bidder has to make due diligence and physical verification of property with regard to title, extent, area dues, etc. No claim subsequent to submission of bid shall be entertained by the bank. **(m)** After confirmation of sale, bidder's request cannot be accepted for refund of amount which is already paid and Bank will proceed as per SARFAESI Act.

For further details contact Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM Branch-2- (9113092975, 8921102717, 9201460154, 9483544116, 8709675503 and 080-25310181) e-mail id cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s.PSB Alliance (Baanknet) e-mail: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com

SPECIAL INSTRUCTION / CAUTION

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Date : 17.02.2026
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised officer
Canara Bank

HDFC BANK LIMITED

Regd. Office: HDFC Bank House, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai - 400013
Branch: #51, HDFC House, Kasturba Road, Bangalore 560 001
Tel:-080-41183000 CIN L65920MH1994PLC080618 Website: www.hdfcbank.com

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13 (2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **HDFC Bank Limited** (erstwhile HDFC Limited having amalgamated with HDFC Bank Limited by virtue of a Scheme of Amalgamation approved by Hon'ble NCLT-Mumbai vide order dated 17th March 2023) **(HDFC)** under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued Demand Notices under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) listed hereunder, to pay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice/s, within 60 days from the date of the respective Notice/s, as per details given below. The undersigned have, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known respective addresses of the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s). Copies of the said Notices are available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s), may, if they so desire, collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

In connection with the above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) to pay to **HDFC,** within 60 days from the date of publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below in their respective names, together with further interest as detailed in the said Demand Notices from the respective dates mentioned below in column (c) till the date of payment and / or realization, read with the loan agreement and other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following Secured Asset(s) have been mortgaged to **HDFC** by the said Borrower (s) respectively.

Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset/s.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative (s)	Total Outstanding Dues	Date of Demand Notice	Description of Secured Asset in respect of which Security Interest has been created
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(f)
1	**Mr. Tewari Prashant (Borrower) Public Health Foundation Of India** **Designation:** Senior Advisor, **Department:** Vlccm, **Employee No.:** E10852, 14, Community Centre, Panchsheel Marg Delhi 110017, **Also at:** 1163, Vikaskunj Apt, Vikaspuri, New Dlehi 110018. **Also at:** Flat-WLK073, 7th Floor, DLF Woodland Heights, S No. 66,67,63/1,62/1, Rajaputa Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Tq, Bengaluru 560105.	**Loan A/c Nos. 611648269 Rs.45,68,812/- (Rupees Forty Five Lakh Sixty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred and Twelve Only) as on 31.12.2025**	**03.02.2026 ..... N.P.A. Date: (e) 03.09.2023**	All that piece and parcel of the Residential **Flat No.WLK073/ Parking/s PSK16** having super built up area of 1221 sq. ft. approximately, constructed on the 7th Floor in Tower 'K' in the project known as **"WOODLAND HEIGHTS"** situated at DLF My Town, Rajapura Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore.
2	**And other known and unknown Legal Heir(s) o f Mr. Talkalkoppa Shirlege Amarkumar (Borrower) [since deceased]** Legal Heir(s), Legal Representative(s), Successors and Assigns of **Mr. Talkalkoppa Shirlege Amarkumar**, Flat No 203, 2nd Floor, Hoysala Vijay Enclave – I, No 29/1, Sy No 29, 60 feet Road, Dr Kalpana Chawla Road, Boopsandra Main Road, Sanjayanagar, Near Vybhav Theatre, Bangalore - 560094.	**Loan A/c Nos. 614235349 Rs.39,70,699/- (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakh Seventy Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety Nine Only) as on 31.01.2026**	**10.02.2026 ..... N.P.A. Date: (e) 03.10.2024**	**Schedule A:** All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Municipal No. 29/1-1, BBMP PID No. 100-260-29/1-1 measuring East to West 213.5 feet and North to South 140 feet totally measuring 29890 Square feet situated at 60 feet Road, Boopasandra New Extension, Sanjayangar, BBMP Ward No. 100, Bengaluru and bounded as hereunder:- **East by :** Private Property, **West by :** 60 feet Road, **North by :** Private Property, **South by :** Private Property **Schedule B: 1/41st** undivided share, right, title and interest equivalent to 695 Square feet in the Schedule 'A' Property. **Schedule C:** All that piece and parcel of 3 Bedroom Residential Apartment bearing Flat **No. 203**, BBMP PID No.100-260-29/1-23 situated on the Second Floor having super built up area of 2055 square feet with one Covered Parking space in the multistoried building known as **"HOYSALA-VIJAY ENCLAVE 1"** constructed on Schedule "A" Property together with right to use common areas, passages, utilities in common. The building is a RCC ROOF and the apartment has mosaic flooring and main door is a Teak wood and remaining doors and windows are of jungle wood. The Apartment has electricity and water connection.

*with further interest cost, expenses, and charges as applicable incurred till the date of payment and / or realization. If the said Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) fail to make payment to **HDFC Bank Limited** as aforesaid, then **HDFC Bank Limited** shall proceed against the above Secured Asset / Immovable Property under Section 13 (4) of the said Act and the applicable Rules entirely at the risk of the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) as to the costs and consequences.

The said Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) are prohibited under the said Act to transfer the aforesaid Secured Asset / Immovable Property, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of **HDFC Bank Limited**. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the Act or Rules made thereunder shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Date : 20.02.2026
Place: Bengaluru

For HDFC Bank Ltd.
Sd/- Authorized Officer of HDFC Bank Ltd. under SARFAESI Act, 2002

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
Syndicate
(A Government of India Undertaking)
Head Office : Bangalore

E-AUCTION Sale of Properties on 12.03.2026

Last date of EMD : 11.03.2026

ARM – 2 Branch, 2nd Floor, No. 86, Spencers Tower, M.g. Road, Bangalore – 560001. Ph No. : 080-25310181 E-Mail – cb6298@canarabank.com

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described imovable propeties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical/Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM Branch-2,** Bengaluru of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **12.03.2026** at **1:00 PM to 3:00 PM,** through E-Auction under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

For details with regard to E-Auction & digital signature please contact the service provider **M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited, Helpdesk Number : 8291220220, Website: https://baanknet.com/**

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of E-Wallet of **M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **11.03.2026.**

(Rs. in lacs)

Sl.No.	Name and address of the Borrower / Guarantor / Mortgagor	Description of the immovable assets	Total Dues Possession Type	a. Reserve Price b. EMD c. Incremental Bid
1.	**1. Mr. Bodepudi Venkataramana S/o Bodepudi Kailasa Rao 2.Mrs. Darapaneni Sailaja W/o Bodepudi Venkataraman Both Are At :** D No. 7-16-272/1-17, 7/5 Srinagar ,Guntur, Andrapradesh-522002.	Residential Villa Situated at Villa No. C-5, ANANTYA VILLAS' Sy.No. 119/2 S. Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bengaluru -562125. Super Built up area 5121.726 Sq.ft.	**Rs. 4,02,34,367.18** as on **01.02.2026** plus further interest and cost thereon	**a) ₹ 3,90,00,000/- b) ₹ 39,00,000/- c) ₹ 1,00,000/-**

Other terms and conditions : (a) Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website https://baanknet.com/ Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings. **(b)** The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer .**(c)** The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process. **(d)** EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (Baanknet) portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan. **(e)** After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before **11.03.2026**, to Canara Bank, **ARM Branch II Bangalore** by hand OR Email.

(I) EMD to be deposited in E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET) portal or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan. **(ii)** Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. (iii) Bid form to be submitted.**(f)** The intending bidders should register their names at portal https://baanknet.com/ and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider, M/s.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) - e- mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com **(g)** EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them by BAANKET. The EMD shall not carry any interest. **(h)** Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of Rs.1,00,000/-. The bidder who submits the highest bid (above the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.

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Place: Bangalore ,Date : 19.02.2026 **Sd/- Authorized Officer, Canara Bank**

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bengaluru -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Office of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of security Interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.

The Borrower and the public in general are here by cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon,

The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date	Demand Notice Date	Notice Amount	Description of the Property
MR. HARI VENKATESH C MS. S SUSHMA (GPA HOLDER) Loan A/c No. 410400008450 Symbolic Possession taken Date:18/02/2026	06/01/2025	Rs. 10807967.00	**SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing BDA Site No.2530, formed by the Bangalore Development Authority at Kumarswamy Layout, 2nd Stage, Bangalore, presently bearing Municipal No.2530, New PID No.181-W0266-10 (old PID No.55-356-2530), situated at Kumarswamy Layout, 2nd Stage, Bangalore, BBMP Ward No.181 (Old Ward No.55) of Padmanabhanagar, Bangalore, measuring East to West: (12.20+17.30)/2 meters and North to South: 18 meters, in all measuring 265.5 Square meters, and bounded as follows: East by: Property bearing No.2529, West by: C.A.Area. North by: Property bearing Nos.2542 & 2541. South by: Road. SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of Residential Apartment bearing Flat No.302, in the Second Floor of in the Residential Apartment known as "VS VAISHNAVI HEAVENS" presently bearing Municipal No. 2530/4, PID No.55-356-2530/4, situated at 14th Main, Kumarswamy Layout, 2nd Stage, Bangalore, present BBMP Ward No.181, Bangalore, constructed on the schedule 'A' property and the apartment measuring 1425 Square feet of super built up area having 3 (Three) Bedrooms, one Hall, Kitchen, One Bathroom and Toilet, having vitrified tiles Flooring, Jungle Wood Doors and Iron and Steel framed Windows, R.C.C. roofing, with all civic amenities like water, electricity and sanitary facilities, with common overhead tank and common sump water facilities, with One covered Car Parking space in stilt floor, together with proportionate share in common area such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other area of common use. SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY : 285.6 Square feet of undivided right, title, share, interest and ownership in the Schedule 'A' Property.**
MR. HAMEED SYED RAFEEQ MS. MUEINARAHIM R MR. KALAIRAJ M (GUARANTOR) 410400008566 Symbolic Possession taken Date:18/02/2026	04/01/2025	Rs. 11594209.00	**SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY :All that piece and parcel of the property bearing BDA Site No.2530, formed by the Bangalore Development Authority at Kumarswamy Layout, 2nd Stage, Bangalore, presently bearing Municipal No.2530, New PID No.181-W0266-10 (old PID No.55-356-2530), situated at Kumarswamy Layout, 2nd Stage, Bangalore, BBMP Ward No.181 (Old Ward No.55) of Padmanabhanagar, Bangalore, measuring East to West: (12.20+17.30)/2 meters and North to South: 18 meters, in all measuring 265.5 Square meters, and bounded as follows: East by: Property bearing No.2529. West by: C.A.Area. North by: Property bearing Nos.2542 & 2541. South by: Road. SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of Residential Apartment bearing Flat No.402, in the Third Floor of in the Residential Apartment known as "VS VAISHNAVI HEAVENS" presently bearing Municipal No.2530/4, PID No.55-356-2530/4, situated at 14th Main, Kumarswamy Layout, 2nd Stage, Bangalore, present BBMP Ward No.181, Bangalore, constructed on the schedule 'A' property and the apartment measuring 1425 Square feet of super built up area having 3 (Three) Bedrooms, one Hall, Kitchen, One Bathroom and Toilet, having vitrified tiles Flooring, Jungle Wood Doors and Iron and Steel framed Windows, R.C.C. roofing, with all civic amenities like water, electricity and sanitary facilities, with common overhead tank and common sump water facilities, with One covered Car Parking space in stilt floor, together with proportionate share in common area such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other area of common use. SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY : 285.6 Square feet of undivided right, title, share, interest and ownership in the Schedule 'A' Property**
MR. CHANDRU N Ms. DEVI RAMAIAH Loan A/c No. 410500003399 Symbolic Possession taken Date : 18/02/2026	25/01/2024	Rs. 12393227.00	**A-SCHEDULE PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of residential Apartment constructed at Site No.30 & 31 carved out of Sy. No.85/1, 88/2, 88/3 & 87/2 in the layout formed of Mysore Road industrial Employees House Building Co-operative Society Limited at 4th Cross, 29thMain Road, Madiwala, BTM Layout II Stage, Bangalore. BBMP Ward No.65. Formed by the Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) measuring East to West (80 + 86)/2 feet North to South 72 feet in all measuring 5976 Sq. Feet bounded on the; East by : 60 feet wide Road, West by: Site No.1, North by : 30 feet wide Road, South by :Site No.29 & 2. SCHEDULE - B PROPERTY : All the piece and parcel of Residential Apartment No.102, 1st Floor, 'Srinivasm Residency', 4th Cross, 29th Main Road, Madiwala, BTM Layout II Stage, Bangalore. With a super Built-up area of 1237.49sft along with one covered car parking SCHEDULE - C PROPERTY : 1/12th Undivided right, title, interest in the 'A' Schedule property along with one covered car parking.**
MR. A SRIKANTH SHARMA Loan A/c No. 411500006255 Physical Possession taken Date 18/02/2026	15/02/2025	Rs. 677559.00	**SCHEDULE : All that piece and parcel of the Site No.T30., formed in the Layout Known as "Upkar Spring Fields", comprising of Old Sy. No. 20 and New Sy. No. 20/2, of Thirumagondanahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, vide Katha No.713, duly converted vide conversion order No.ALN/(A)(A)SR/105/2010-11, dated 04.06.2011, passed by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District and Plan Approved by Neralur Village Panchayath, Nerlalur, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District measuring East to West: 40' Feet and North to South: 19' feet, Totally measuring 760 sq. Feet and bounded on the: East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Site No.T29, South by: Road.**
MR. VARAHAGIRI DURGA VENUGOPALA S Loan A/c No. 16061038923 Symbolic Possession taken Date 18/02/2026	29/11/2025	Rs. 2343852.00	**SCHEDULE 'A' :All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No.107, Katha No.1318 issued by the commissioner, Bommanahalli CMC (bearing old Property No.1, V.P.Katha No.371), situated at Arekere Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, presently under BBMP Limits, measuring East to West: 60 feet,North to South: 150 feet in all measuring 9000 square feet, and bounded on the: East by: Private Property West by: Road, North by: Vacant Site of Siddha Reddy South by: Aradhana School SCHEDULE 'B' : Flat bearing No.004, in Ground Floor constructed over the 'A' Schedule Property containing 2 Bed Rooms, measuring about 1218 Sq.Feet of super built area in the building known as "SILHOUETTE ENCLAVE", presently under BBMP limits, together with an undivided share of 260 sq.Ft. Right title and interest of land in the total land of 'A' Schedule Property referred to above, together with car parking space in stilt floor of the said building.**

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 20.02.2026

Sd/- Authorized Officer
LIC Housing Finance Limited

1,000 Kenyans
recruited into Russia army as families demand help

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LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • LS: Light Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	29	19	SNY	Los Angeles	20	12	SNY
Colombo	29	23	TDS	Melbourne	17	5	LC
Dhaka	27	16	TDS	Moscow	4	2	SNY
Dubai	26	22	SNY	New York	2	-3	SNY
Houston	30	23	TDS	Singapore	27	25	TDS
Istanbul	33	21	SNY	Toronto	-6	-8	SNY
London	12	8	SNY	Washington	3	-2	SNY

U.K. POLICE ARREST EX-PRINCE ANDREW IN 'MISCONDUCT' PROBE

Detention follows review of Epstein-linked documents; King Charles pledges cooperation

LONDON

ANDREW Mountbatten-Windsor, the former British prince who was stripped of his royal titles because of his links to convicted sex offender Jeffrey Epstein, was arrested on Thursday on suspicion of misconduct in public office.

While Andrew has consistently denied any wrongdoing in connection with his friendship with Epstein, concerns about Mountbatten-Windsor's links to the late financier have dogged the royal family for more than a decade. But the arrest of a brother of a monarch was an extraordinary development with no precedent in modern times that will no doubt put more pressure on the crown.

After the arrest, King Charles III said that the law must take its course in the investigation, and he sought to reassure the British public that he would continue to serve them.

Thames Valley Police said that a man in his 60s from Norfolk in eastern England was arrested and remained in custody. The force, which covers areas west of London, including Mountbatten-Windsor's former home, did not identify the suspect, in line with standard procedures in Britain, but pointed to its statement when asked to confirm if Andrew was arrested. Mountbatten-Windsor, who turned 66 on Thursday, moved to Charles' estate in Norfolk after he was evicted from his longtime home near Windsor Castle earlier this month.

FILE - Prince Andrew leaves St. Giles Cathedral after the arrival of the coffin containing the remains of his mother Queen Elizabeth, in Edinburgh, Scotland | AP

Thames Valley Police previously said it was "assessing" reports that Mountbatten-Windsor sent confidential trade reports to Epstein in 2010, when the former prince was Britain's special envoy for international trade.

Those reports stemmed from correspondence between the two men that was among the millions of pages of documents from the US Justice Department's investigation into Epstein that were released last month. "Following a thorough assessment, we have now opened an investigation into this allegation of misconduct in public office," Assistant Chief Constable Oliver Wright said in a statement. "We understand the significant public interest in this case, and we will provide updates at the appropriate time." Police also said they were searching two properties.

The arrest came after pictures circulated online that appeared to show unmarked police cars at Wood Farm, Mountbatten-Windsor's home on the Sandringham Estate in Norfolk, with plainclothes officers gathering outside. *AP*

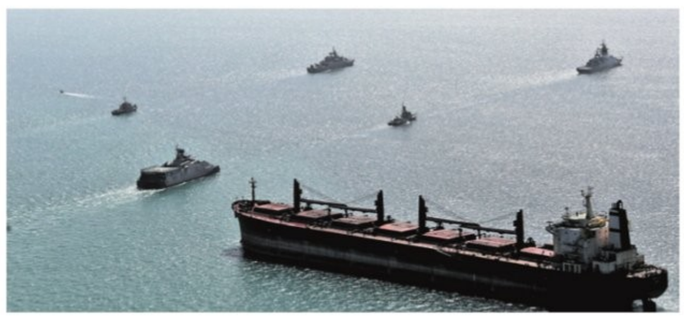
Trump gives Iran 10 days to make deal or face 'bad things'

DUBAI

US President Donald Trump said on Thursday Iran must make a "meaningful deal" in its negotiations with Washington in the next 10 days or else "bad things happen", as he deployed warships, fighter jets and other military hardware in the region.

"It's proven to be over the years not easy to make a meaningful deal with Iran. We have to make a meaningful deal otherwise bad things happen," Trump told the inaugural meeting of the "Board of Peace", his initiative to secure stability in Gaza. He warned that Washington "may have to take it a step further" without any agreement, adding: "You're going to be finding out over the next probably 10 days."

Trump's comments came shortly after Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu issued his own warning to Iran saying, "If the ayatollahs make a mistake and attack us, they will receive a response they cannot even imagine".



Navy ships conducting operations during a join drill by Iranian and Russian forces in the Indian Ocean | AP

Iran says no country can deprive it of enrichment rights

TEHRAN: Iran's atomic energy chief Mohammad Eslami said Tehran would not be deprived of its right to uranium enrichment, insisting the programme complies with International Atomic Energy Agency rules. His remarks followed a second round of Oman-mediated talks with Washington in Geneva. US President Donald Trump again hinted at military action and has deployed additional naval forces to the region. Iranian and Russian navies also conducted joint drills amid rising tensions. Western powers accuse Tehran of seeking nuclear weapons, a charge it denies.

The warnings were issued days after the US and Iran held a second round of Omani-mediated talks, this time in Geneva, with the US seeking to prevent Iran from getting a nuclear bomb, something it says it is not pursuing, and Iran seeking relief from US sanctions. *AFP*

Board of Peace secures $17 bn to rebuild Gaza; Israel wants Hamas disarmed

WASHINGTON

WORLD leaders pledged billions of dollars for Gaza's reconstruction at the inaugural Board of Peace meeting in Washington on Thursday, as Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said there would be no rebuilding of the war-shattered territory without the disarmament of Hamas.

Around two dozen leaders and senior officials attended the meeting, set up after the United States, Qatar and Egypt negotiated an October ceasefire to halt two years of war in the Gaza Strip.

President Donald Trump announced that nine members of the body — Kazakhstan, Azerbaijan, the United Arab Emirates, Morocco, Bahrain, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Uzbekistan and Kuwait — had agreed to pledge $7 billion toward a Gaza relief package.

He also said the United States would contribute $10 billion to the Board of Peace, without specifying its use. The amount pledged by others represents a fraction of the estimated $70 billion needed to rebuild the Palestinian territory. Trump also announced the US was pledging $10 billion for the Board of Peace, but didn't specify what the money will be used for.

"The meeting in Washington will also look at how to launch the International Stabilization Force (ISF) that will ensure security in Gaza." "We agreed with our ally the US there will be no reconstruction of Gaza before the demilitarisation of Gaza," Netanyahu said in a televised speech.

Talks focus on launching an armed International Stabilisation Force to secure Gaza and oversee Hamas's disarmament.

Indonesia, Morocco, Kazakhstan, Kosovo and Albania have pledged to send troops for the proposed stabilisation force, while Egypt and Jordan have committed to train police. Troops are expected to be initially deployed to Rafah, where reconstruction efforts are set to begin. One of the most sensitive issues before the board remains the future of Hamas, which still exerts influence in the territory. *AP/AFP*

UN warns of ethnic cleansing in Gaza

GENEVA

ISRAEL's increased attacks and forcible transfers of Palestinians "raise concerns over ethnic cleansing" in the Gaza Strip and West Bank, the United Nations said Thursday.

The cumulative impact of Israel's military conduct during the war in Gaza and blockade of the territory, has inflicted living conditions "increasingly incompatible with Palestinians' continued existence as a group in Gaza", said the UN human rights office.

"Intensified attacks, the methodical destruction of entire neighbourhoods and the denial of humanitarian assistance appeared to aim at a permanent demographic shift in Gaza," the office said in a report.

"This, together with forcible transfers, which appear to aim at a permanent displacement, raise concerns over ethnic cleansing in Gaza and the West Bank." The report covered November 1, 2024 to October 31, 2025. It highlighted the Israeli security forces' "systematic use of unlawful force" in the occupied West Bank and annexed East Jerusalem.

Israeli forces blow up the home of Palestinian Waleed Sabarneh, who was killed in November last year after reportedly attacking settlers at Gush Etzion area, in Beit Ummar village, north of the occupied West Bank city of Hebron | AFP

The report also pointed to "widespread" arbitrary detention and the "extensive unlawful demolition" of Palestinian homes. The aim, it said, was to "systematically discriminate, oppress, control and dominate the Palestinian people". *AFP*

Sweden cuts criminal age to 13 despite row

STOCKHOLM

SWEDEN revealed on Thursday what prison life will look like for children as young as 13 convicted of serious offences, a reform entering into force in July that has faced massive criticism.

The minority rightwing government, which is backed by the far-right Sweden Democrats and has prioritised the fight against surging crime rates, announced in January that it would reduce the age of criminal responsibility from 15 to 13. A majority of the 126 authorities the government consulted about the change were critical or opposed it outright, including the police and the prison service, but the government has moved forward with its plans regardless.

The Scandinavian country has struggled for more than a decade to contain a surge in organised violent crime, linked primarily to settlings of scores between rival gangs and battles to control the drug market. The networks recruit under-15s online as paid hitmen for bombings and shootings, knowing they avoid prison if caught. *AFP*

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Prasanna G, S/o Govindaraju G, aged about 50 years, residing at, 12th Cross, Akshaya Magnus Layout, Veersagar Main Road, 3rd Floor, Attur Layout, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064 have revoked the General Power of Attorney dated 15.09.2022 bearing Document No. GNR-4-00306-2022-23 registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Gandhinagar (Ganganagar), issued in favor of M/s Avisa Groups having its office at No. 3053, 5th Floor, High Point III, High Grounds, Sampangiramanagar, Bengaluru - 560001, represented by its proprietor Rajashekara R, with respect to Schedule Property mentioned hereunder, with effect from today. If anyone were to transact with M/s Avisa Groups as my Power of Attorney Holder, they shall do so at their risk and transactions to be entered into by M/s Avisa Groups as my Power of Attorney Holder will not be binding on me. It is further stated that the Joint Development Agreement dated 15.09.2022 executed in favor of M/s Avisa Groups, registered as Document No. GNR-1-02651-2022-23 in Book No. 1, stored in C.D. No. GNRD1091, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Gandhinagar (Ganganagar), Bangalore, is also terminated vide legal notice dated 19.02.2026. It is stated that M/s Avisa Groups shall have no right, title or interest in the schedule property mentioned hereunder:

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the Residential Site bearing No.86, measuring 60 (E-W) x 40 (N-S) = 2400 Sq Feet, Carved out of Sy No 18/3 situated at Attur Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North (Addl) Taluk measuring 01 Acre 19 Guntas converted for residential purpose vide O.M. No. ALN(NAY)SR/54/17-18 Dtd 02/01/2018 bounded on:- East By : ROAD, West By : Land bearing Sy No. 19 & 21, North By : Site No.85, South By: Site No.87

MKR Associates, Advocates
No. 33/2, 1st Floor, DC Halli Main Road, Kodichikkanahalli, Bangalore-560076.

PUBLIC NOTICE

1) Sri. G. LAKSHMINARAYANAN, S/o Late Sri. Gopalakrishna Naidu, No.1284, Lakeside Apartment, Gunjur, Varthur, Bangalore-87, Aadhar No.542202886249
2) **Smt. SUMATHI THANGARAJ,** No.882, Woolands Street 82, No.1-50, Singapore-730882, Represented by her GPA holder Sri G. Lakshminarayan represents that they are the absolute owners of property Nos.27 & 28 of Sy. No.97/1, (Old Sy.No.97) situated at Varthur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, presently comes under Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Limits, Measuring 12 meter x 7.73 meter, 12 X 9 meters, bounded on **East by:** Road, **West by:** Site Nos.26 & 25, **North by:** Road, **South by: Private Property**, the owners have agreed to sell the above said property. My client is intending to purchase the said property. Any person having any objections for the sale of the above said properties or such other claim over it, the same may be lodged in writing with supporting documents at the following address within **TEN DAYS** from the date of publication of this Notice. If no objections or claims are received within the time stipulated above it shall be **deemed that there are no objections** for the sale of the same and purchasing said property by my client is free from all encumbrances.

Address: **P. Reddy Nagendra Kumar**
Advocate, No.645/13A, B M Road, VV Puram, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-04.
Also To: Dilip R M, S/o K N Mahendran No.437, Ramakrishna Layout, Near Govt. Middle School, Varthur, Bengaluru-87

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Sri.Bapu Vasudev Satish, is the absolute owner of the flat bearing No.GRPH2033, Godrej Reserve, Hill District, is in physical possession and enjoyment of the said property. The said property is more fully described in the schedule hereunder. My client represented that, on 06/02/2026 while traveling, he has lost/misplaced the original sale deed dated 14/07/2021, bearing Document No DNH-1-02240-2021-22, Book No.1, stored in CD.No.DNHD1304 registered before the Sub Registrar, Devanahalli, Bengaluru rural District, pertaining to the schedule property. Hence my client has lodged a complaint intimating the loss of the said original sale deed with Jurisdictional Police Station, Bengaluru on 09/02/2026. Any person or persons finds the original Sale deed is hand over the same either to the undersigned or to the owner, if any person claims any rights, title or interest based on the said sale deed, they are hereby called upon to inform the undersigned in writing within 15 days from the date of this Public notice.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of residential plot bearing No.GRPH2033, Hill District, in the project/phase II of the residential layout project known as "Godrej Reserve", situated on the schedule A property, measuring East to West 24.4 meter(Equivalent to 80.03 feet) and North to South 12.2 meter (Equivalent to 40.02 feet) in all measuring 295.68 square meter (Equivalent to 3204.23 square feet) having C-Katha No.150300201601201181 and bounded on the East by: Plat No. 26 & 27, West by : 12.2m road, North by: Plot No.32, South by: Plot No.34.

M.V. KESHAVA REDDY, Advocate
No.25/1, 2nd Floor, Anand Nivas, 3rd Cross, 6th Main, Gandhinagar Bengaluru-560 009. Mobile : 9980744544
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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client **Sri. Dhanraj,** S/o Sri.Kisanlal, No.24, Jispa Nilaya, 2nd Cross, Nakshatra Layout, Behind Poorna Prajna School, Bairathi Bande, Bengaluru-560077, is intending to purchase the below mentioned Gramathana Site from Sri.Chethan Kumar S/o Sri.Seenappa, resident of Mylanahalli village, Bandi Kodigehalli Post, Jala Hobli, Yalahanka Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District. If any person/s have any manner of right, title, claim, charge, lien or interest over the Schedule Property or otherwise have any lawful objection/s for this sale transaction, they are hereby called upon to file their objection/s in writing along with photocopies of documents which they are relying, with the undersigned **within 15 days** from the date of the publication, any objections or claims received thereafter will not be binding on my client and my client shall proceed to purchase the below mentioned property as if there are no claimant/s or objectors

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of Gramathana Property bearing No.85/13/1 E-Khatha No.150200201100200085, situated at KADAYARAPANAHALLI Village, Mylanahalli Dhakle, Bandi Kodigehalli Grama Panchayath, Jala Hobli, Yalahanka Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, measuring East to West 7.92 Meters or 26 Feet, North to South 14.02 Meters or 46 Feet, totally measuring 111.03 Square Meters or 1196 Square Feet and bounded on the: **East by:** Property Belongs to Smt. Manjula .K, **West by:** Dari and B.K. Ashok Property, **North by:** Road and **South by:** Smt. Vijayamma Property.

K. SURESH, Advocate
12A, 1st Floor, 1st Main, 5th Cross, Vijaya Bank, Narmada Colony, Banasawadi, Bengaluru-560043. Mob: 9844377581.

Emmanuel Macron

Macron and Meloni clash over France activist's death

NEW DELHI

FRENCH President Emmanuel Macron on Thursday called on Giorgia Meloni to stop "commenting on what is happening in other people's countries," after the Italian prime minister expressed shock at the fatal beating of a far-right activist in France.

Quentin Deranque, 23, died from head injuries after being attacked by at least six people last week on the sidelines of a far-right protest at a university in the city of Lyon. Most of the 11 suspects detained are from far left movements, according to a source close to the investigation.

The killing has fuelled political tensions in France ahead of municipal elections in March and the 2027 presidential race, in which the far-right National Rally (RN) party is seen as having its best chance yet at winning the top job.

On Wednesday, Meloni said the killing of Deranque was "a wound for all of Europe." "Let everyone stay in their own lane," Macron shot back in New Delhi, on the sidelines of an official visit to India.

Macron also said there was no place in France "for movements that adopt and legitimise violence." "Nothing can justify violent action — neither on one side nor the other, and not even in a head-to-head confrontation that is deadly for the republic," he said. *AFP*

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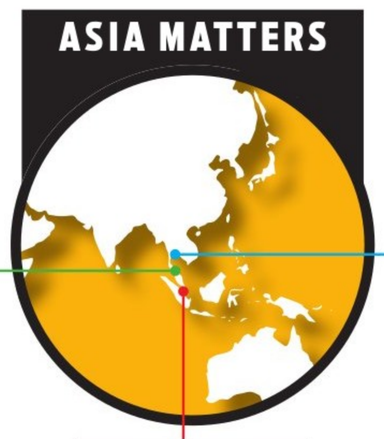

INDONESIA

FLOODS FORCE A DEFORESTATION RECKONING

Permits revoked, lawsuits filed, the threat of state takeovers. Deadly flooding in Indonesia has prompted unprecedented government action against companies accused of environmental destruction that worsened the disaster. But environmentalists who have long warned about the risks of rampant deforestation fear the current response will not solve the problem. Officials from President Prabowo Subianto down have acknowledged the role of deforestation and overdevelopment in last year's flooding.

SINGAPORE

PIO JAILED FOR SLAPPING TAXI DRIVER

An Indian-origin Singaporean woman was sentenced to two weeks in jail on Thursday for voluntarily causing hurt by slapping a taxi driver. Shalini Devarajan, 36, refused to pay her taxi fare of SGD 24 (USD19) because she had no cash and rejected the payment options suggested by the driver.

THAILAND

COPS DRESS UP AS LION DANCERS TO NAB THIEF

Thai police donned a lion dance costume during this week's Lunar New Year festivities to arrest a suspect accused of stealing about $64,000 worth of Buddhist artefacts, police said Thursday. Officers dressed as a red-and-yellow lion made the arrest on Wednesday evening after receiving a report earlier this month of a home burglary in the suburbs of the capital, Bangkok.Capital police said the reported break-in involved "numerous Buddhist objects", along with evidence of repeated attempts to enter the house, a statement said.

EXPRESS READ

Discontent could trigger fresh unrest: Nepal PM

KATHMANDU: Nepal's interim Prime Minister Sushila Karki on Thursday warned that failing to address youth discontent could trigger another rebellion.
Speaking on the 76th Democracy Day, she said democracy must deliver results, protect citizens' rights and ensure accountability.

Bus crash in South Africa leaves 4 dead, 31 hurt

JOHANNESBURG: A bus crash in South Africa's Limpopo province on Thursday has left at least four dead and 31 injured, authorities said.The bus was travelling from the Gauteng in South Africa to Zimbabwe when it lost control and swerved into a ditch on the N1 highway close to the border.

SERENDIPITY

'Love Story' shows how much an icon's style lives

NEW YORK

GRAINY paparazzi shots on social media show her hailing a cab in a black slip dress. Walking the streets of New York in an oversize coat. Wearing that signature red lipstick.

Nearly three decades after her death at age 33, Carolyn Bessette Kennedy is back in the spotlight as one of fashion's most powerful style influencers. The new TV series "Love Story" chronicles her relationship with John F. Kennedy Jr, and many fans are watching for the attire.

Paul Kelly and Sarah Pidgeon in a scene from "Love Story: John F Kennedy Jr & Carolyn Bessette | AP

In an era dominated by conspicuous branding and obvious cosmetic enhancements, Bessette Kennedy's enduring appeal lies in what she did not do. She had no platform, no brand partnerships, no social media presence.

"She looks so different from the people we see now on Instagram," said Ashley Traher, a 45-year-old attorney in Phoenix who grew up admiring Bessette Kennedy from afar. "Carolyn had an effortlessness that looks modern and cool."

Bessette Kennedy, a former Calvin Klein publicist, married Kennedy Jr in 1996.

"Love Story," part of Ryan Murphy's expanding slate of cultural retrospectives, sparked debate after fans who saw early test images of the actors in costume felt the clothing failed to capture Bessette's precise restraint. "We wanted that quiet luxury moment," said a NY-stylist. *AP*

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THE WORLD'S LARGEST DEMOCRACY IS WELL POSITIONED TO LEAD IN AI, SAYS OPENAI CEO | GOVTS HAVE KEY ROLE TO PLAY BY BRINGING AI INTO PUBLIC SERVICES: GOOGLE CEO | AI MUST BE BUILT FOR LOCAL NEEDS, NOT SHAPED BY SILICON VALLEY PRIORITIES: META AI CHIEF

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Democratisation of AI

OpenAI CEO Sam Altman says democratisation of AI is the only fair and safe path forward. According to him, democratisation of AI is the best way to ensure that humanity flourishes

SAM ALTMAN

SUNDAR PICHAI

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AI to disrupt jobs; people will find new, better things to do: Altman

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

THE current jobs are going to be disrupted as AI can do more and more of the things that drive our economy today, said Sam Altman, CEO and co-founder of OpenAI on Thursday. Altman, speaking at the India AI Impact Summit 2026, said it will be hard to outwork a GPU in many ways. He said society will continue to find new things to do.

"Technology always disrupts jobs. We always find new and better things to do. The people of 500 years ago would have thought that many of our current jobs look silly, like ways to entertain ourselves or create stress. The people 500 years from now will look at us like impossibly rich people playing games, trying to find ways to pass their time, but we should all hope they feel much more fulfilled than we do today," said Altman.

While talking about India, Altman said India, the world's largest democracy, is well positioned to lead in AI — not just to build it, but to shape it and decide what our future is going to look like. He added that over 100 million people in India use ChatGPT every week, and over a third of them are students. India is the fastest-growing market for Codex, the company's coding agent that helps people develop software faster and better.

"It's striking how much progress India has made in its mission to put AI to work for in more parts of the country. India's leadership in sovereign AI, building on infrastructure, SLMs and much more, has been great to watch," said Altman.

Altman believes that only a couple of years away are early versions of true superintelligence, which would be capable of doing a better job as the CEO of a major company than any executive, certainly him, or doing better research than the best scientists. "By the end of 2028 more of the world's intellectual capacity could reside inside data centres than outside them. This is an extraordinary statement to make, and of course we could be wrong, but I think it really bears serious consideration," he added.

Altman, Amodei avoid holding hands

NEW DELHI: An awkward moment occurred at the India AI Impact Summit 2026 when Sam Altman declined to hold hands during a group photograph with Anthropic CEO Dario Amodei, his former colleague and now a rival CEO.

After his address, Prime Minister Narendra Modi invited AI leaders on stage for a photograph and signalled them to join hands. While several tech leaders, including Sundar Pichai, gathered on stage and raised their hands following Modi's gesture, Altman and Amodei, who were standing next to each other, instead raised their fists, breaking the chain. *ENS*

AI to reshape workforce, automate roles, create new careers, says Pichai

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

AI will undoubtedly reshape the workforce—automating some roles, evolving others, and creating entirely new careers, said Sundar Pichai, CEO of Google, on Thursday.

Speaking at the India AI Impact Summit 2026 in New Delhi, Pichai said twenty years ago, the idea of a professional YouTube creator didn't exist. Today, there are millions around the world. As per him, this makes training crucial.

"We have trained 100 million people in digital skills, and our new Google AI Professional Certificate will help people master AI in their jobs. It will be available globally," said Pichai.

Pichai said AI is the biggest platform shift of our lifetimes and that we are on the cusp of rapid progress and new discoveries that can help emerging economies leapfrog legacy gaps. However, he added that no matter how bold or responsible the approach is, AI's full benefits will not be realised unless stakeholders work together.

He said governments have a vital role to play—not only as regulators setting clear rules and addressing risks, but also as innovators bringing AI into public services and accelerating adoption for people and businesses.

He also said technology companies must step up by building products that boost knowledge, creativity, and productivity to help people achieve their dreams. Businesses of all sizes, he added, must harness AI to innovate, transform their sectors, scale up, and empower workers.

Recalling his student days in India, Pichai said he often took the Coromandel Express from Chennai to IIT Kharagpur, passing through Visakhapatnam, also known as Vizag.

"I remember it as a quiet, modest coastal city brimming with potential. Today, in that very city, Google is establishing a full-stack AI hub as part of our $15 billion infrastructure investment in India," said Pichai.

He further said that when completed, the hub will house gigawatt-scale compute capacity and a new international subsea cable gateway. It will create jobs and bring cutting-edge AI to people and businesses across India. Sitting on that train years ago, he said, he could never have imagined Vizag becoming a global AI hub. "It shows what's possible when humanity dreams big. And no technology has me dreaming bigger than AI," said Pichai.

'Tech cos must build products that boost knowledge'

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India central to next phase of AI growth: Meta's Wang

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

ALEXANDER Wang, chief AI officer at Meta, on Wednesday outlined an ambitious vision for personal superintelligence while positioning India as central to the next phase of global artificial intelligence development. Speaking at the AI Impact Summit in New Delhi, Wang said AI must be built to serve local needs and not become a one-size-fits-all technology shaped solely by Silicon Valley priorities.

"Three and a half billion people use at least one of our apps every day. Over half a billion are in India alone," Wang said, underscoring India's scale and strategic importance to Meta's AI road map. Wang highlighted how AI tools are already being deployed across India — from automatic translation of Reels into regional languages to small businesses creating WhatsApp Business agents within minutes to engage customers.

He pointed to Indian developers building AI solutions for accessibility and healthcare. With over 20 million people with disabilities in the country, voice-first AI systems are being used to convert textbooks into accessible formats and provide personalised career guidance. In healthcare, AI models are helping researchers accelerate tumour detection and medical image segmentation, reducing hours of work to seconds.

India's linguistic diversity, Wang said, makes it a critical testing ground for AI systems. Meta has open-sourced speech recognition models capable of recognising over 1,600 languages and is collaborating with the Indian government's AI Kosh platform to provide datasets in 10 major Indian languages.

Tata, OpenAI to build data centre infra in India

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

TATA GROUP on Thursday announced a partnership with OpenAI to drive AI-powered innovation across enterprise, consumer, and social sectors.

As per the company's statement, the collaboration will cover high-impact areas including enabling AI-led innovation across Tata Group companies, driving AI transformation across industries globally, and setting up AI infrastructure in India. "India is already leading the way in AI adoption, and with its talent, ambition, and strong government support, it is well placed to help shape its future. Through OpenAI for India and our partnership with Tata Group, we're working together to build infrastructure, skills, and local partnerships needed to build AI with India, for India, and in India, so that more people can access and benefit from it," said Sam Altman, CEO, OpenAI.

As part of the partnership, several thousand Tata Group employees will get access to Enterprise ChatGPT to accelerate innovation and productivity. TCS will use OpenAI's Codex to improve software engineering outcomes. Under the collaboration, OpenAI, with its agentic AI solutions, and TCS, with its industry knowledge and AI expertise, will work together to build industry-specific AI solutions. TCS and OpenAI will jointly support Indian and global enterprises in adopting AI-powered solutions tailored to their organisational needs.

JIO TO INVEST ₹10L CR IN AI DEVELOPMENT OVER 7 YEARS

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

RELIANCE Jio on Thursday announced that it will invest ₹10 lakh crore over the next seven years starting this year. This is not speculative investment. It is not for chasing valuation. This is patient, disciplined, nation-building capital — designed to create durable economic value and strategic resilience for decades to come," said Ambani.

He said the biggest constraint in AI today is not talent or imagination but the scarcity and high cost of compute. The company's AI vertical, Jio Intelligence, will build India's sovereign compute infrastructure through three bold initiatives: One — Gigawatt-Scale Data Centres; two — India's Green Energy Advantage; and Three — A Nationwide Edge Compute.

He said the company has already started construction on multi-gigawatt, AI-ready data centres at Jamnagar. Over 120 MW will come online in the second half of 2026, with a clear path to gigawatt-scale compute for training and large-scale inference. The company said an edge-compute layer, deeply integrated with Jio's network, will make intelligence responsive, low-latency and affordable — close to where Indians live, learn and work.

He mentioned that the company will prove that AI does not take away jobs. Rather, it will create new high-skill work opportunities. He said the AI story has shifted from "Who has the best model" to "Who can build the strongest ecosystem for speed and scale of usage."

Therefore, the company will build a deep partnership ecosystem with Indian enterprises, start-ups, IITs, IISc and research institutions.

Jio will build sovereign compute infra: Ambani

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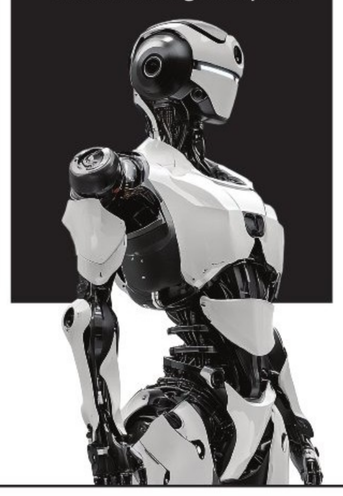

AI sovereignty takes centre stage at India summit

PADMINI DHRUVARAJ @ Bengaluru

AI sovereignty is emerging as a central theme at the India AI Summit, as the government pushes for greater control over AI infrastructure, data, and compute capacity, while promoting affordable access, open-source development, and international cooperation.

At the India AI Impact Summit, policymakers, industry leaders and global technology executives repeatedly stressed that artificial intelligence is no longer just a business tool but a matter of governments' national strategy.

AI is an axis of power

Debjani Ghosh, distinguished Fellow at NITI Aayog, said AI has changed the global order. "Earlier, we used to say technology was an enabler of power. Today, AI is an axis of power," she said. As a general purpose technology, AI is now deeply linked with sovereignty and national security.

She said, "You have to ensure that no one can cut off supply because of geopolitical tensions." Ghosh added that sovereignty doesn't mean isolation. "It is not just about building everything indigenously. It is about alliances and trusted supply chains." On data localisation, Ghosh said: "It's not about where data is stored. It's about who controls the data, workflows and supply chains."

'India can't afford to rent intelligence'

Reliance Industries Chairman Mukesh D Ambani said that India must build its own AI backbone. "India can't afford to rent intelligence," he said, warning against dependence on imported AI models or rented computing power.

Arthur Mensch, CEO of Mistral AI, warned against excessive concentration of power in a few corporations. The world risks "excessive leverage" if three or four companies control AI systems, he said.

Energy, compute and cloud

Jeet Adani, executive director of the Adani Group, said AI will redefine sovereignty and outlined three pillars —energy, compute and cloud, and services. "AI is written in code. But it runs on electricity... energy security is intelligence security. And sustainable energy becomes a competitive advantage," he said. He warned that fragile energy systems would weaken intelligence systems.

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Market crashes as US-Iran tension intensifies

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

DOMESTIC equity market fell sharply on Thursday as investors rushed to book profit amid rising geopolitical tensions, following concerns over a potential conflict between the US and Iran and speculation of possible military action over the weekend. Snapping a three day winning streak, benchmark BSE Sensex fell 1,236.11 points (1.48%) to close at 82,498.14 while the NSE Nifty50 declined 365 points (1.41%) to 25,454.35.

Investors lost about ₹8 lakh crore as the overall market capitalisation of BSE-listed firms came down to nearly ₹464 lakh crore from ₹472 lakh crore in the previous session.

"Sentiment weakened after the latest Fed minutes clouded the rate-cut outlook. This accompanied with a sharp rise in crude and US–Iran tensions heightened inflation and volatility concerns. INR weakness and subdued FII participation due to holidays further weighed on the market, alongside profit booking following the recent rally," said analyst at Bajaj Broking.

Siddhartha Khemka - head of research, wealth management, Motilal Oswal Financial Services, expect markets to remain cautious in the near term given escalating geopolitical risks and the possibility of oil supply disruptions. He added that any escalation involving Iran could impact shipments through the Strait of Hormuz, which would be particularly negative for India given its heavy dependence on crude imports from the region.

The US has issued fresh threats to Iran Tehran after a second round of nuclear talks in Switzerland, as Iran and Russia announced joint naval drills in the Sea of Oman. The situation tensed as President Donald Trump deployed two US aircraft carriers and thousands of troops to the Gulf region. Reflecting the risk-off mood, global commodity prices moved higher, with Brent crude rising over 1%, while gold and silver gained 0.3% and 1%, respectively.

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Easing ECB norms may double forex borrowings to $100 billion next fiscal

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

WITH the Reserve Bank liberalising the external commercial borrowing (ECB) norms, investment bankers are expecting corporates will rush to raise funds through this route. They say fundraising through this route could double to $100 billion next fiscal, from the record $61.2 billion raised in last fiscal.

Key changes that the RBI has announced earlier this week include higher per-borrower limits of up to $1 billion from $750 million earlier, relaxed end-use permissions, and removal of pricing restrictions, making overseas funding more attractive for corporates to fund their capital needs.

The ECB market could double next fiscal from $61.2 billion last fiscal to cross the $100 billion mark, two i-bankers who did not want to be named told TNIE.

The revised framework widens the pool of eligible borrowers and recognised lenders, raises borrowing limits, relaxes maturity restrictions, and removes the cap on the all-in-cost for certain ECB categories. The changes are aimed at making the regime more flexible and aligned with evolving global funding conditions.

The RBI has increased the borrower limit to $1 billion or 300% of their networth, from $750 million earlier, creating additional headroom for large companies which had previously exhausted their limits.

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KARNATAKA STATE SEEDS CORPORATION LIMITED

(Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
"BEEJ BHAVAN", BELLARY ROAD, HEBBAL, BANGALORE-560024.
Phone : 080– 23415652, 23415656, Fax : 080 – 23415895

No.KSSC/IT&MIS/5090/2025-26 Date: 18.02.2026
Tender Indent No.: KSSCL/2025-26/SE0012

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Sub: Tender Notification for existing ERP application(s) discovery, restoration, upgradation and support within the BeejaRaja IT environment-Reg.

Karnataka State Seeds Corporation Limited (KSSCL) invites online tenders from eligible and experienced System Integrators for undertaking discovery assessment, restoration, stabalization, secure operational support and approved minor enhancement of the existing BeejaRaja ERP system. The bids shall be submitted electronically through the e-Procurement Platform of the Government of Karnataka, viz., **https://kppp.Karnataka.gov.in**

The interested service provider can download the tender documents in KPP Portal **on 20.02.2026 at 9.00 AM onwards.**

(1) Pre-bid Meeting Date: **03.03.2026 at 11.30 AM.** (2) Last date for submission of Tenders: **13.03.2026 up to 4.00 PM.** (3) Date of Opening of Technical Bids: **16.03.2026 at 11.00 AM at Registered Office** and Opening of Commercial Bid: **23.03.2026 at 11.00 AM.**

Sd/-Managing Director

Government of Karnataka

The Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Hassan Division, Hassan.

No. EE/PWD/HSN/JE-2/2025-26/ DATED: 18.02.2026.

TENDER NOTIFICATION NO: 41/2025-26, Dated: 18.02.2026

Tender is invited by the Public Works Department on behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 and Rules 2000, Standard Tender Document KW-4 from the eligible registered Contractors of Karnataka PWD Tenders invited through E-Procurement for 01 Work in Hassan division The amount put to tender is Rs.148.00 lakhs. Last date of Receipt of tender is 07.03.2026 till 16.00 Hours. For more details please visit https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in or contact this office through Phone No. 08172-268437 or in person during office hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD, Hassan Division, Hassan.

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SANJAY GANDHI INSTITUTE OF TRAUMA AND ORTHOPAEDICS

(Government of Karnataka Autonomous Institute)

Byrasandra, Jayanagar East, Bengaluru - 560 011 Ph: 080-26564516, 26562500 Grams: SITO Fax: 26565222 E-mail: sitodirector@gmail.com
No. SGITO/e-Tender/Drugs(02)/ME/Vascular(03)/2025-26 Date:.18-02-2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through KPP Portal only)

Sanjay Gandhi Institute of Trauma & Orthopaedics, Byrasandra, Jayanagar East, Bengaluru - 11, invites tender from the eligible tenderers through the KPP portal of GOK for The Following:-

(1) MEDICAL EQUIPMENTS for (1) Vascular Surgeries and (2) Foot & Ankle Surgeries

(2) Drugs, Surgicals, Disposables and Other Items

(1) The Tenderers can download the documents from: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/** on or after **20-02-2026** and the last date for submission of completed tenders through kpp portal is **07-03-2026** upto **4:00** PM.

(2) The Tender Accepting Authority reserves the right to accept / reject or cancel tender without assigning any reason thereof.

Sd/- Director
Tender Inviting Authority

DIPR/SI/5744/2025-26

KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAMA LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka Enterprises)
Office of the Executive Engineer, KNNL, No.1 T.R.Division, Munirabad.

EE/KNNL/No.1/TRD/LabourTender/2025-26/Call-2/3163 Date: 18.02.2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION 2nd Call (Only through e-procurement system)(Two Cover)

EE/KNNL/No.1/TRD/Labour Tender/2025-26/2280 Date:11.12.2025

Tenders in Electronic mode on **"LUMPSUM BASIS"** are invited in KPP-Portal on behalf of the Managing Director, KNNL, Bangalore, by the Executive Engineer, KNNL, No-1 T R Division, Munirabad, Koppal District., in **Two cover system (cover I and cover II)**, under H/A 2701 under VNC Canals sub-division, Kamalapura for the work Supply of Man power for water maintenance and management of canals under Jurisdiction of VNC Sub Division Kamlapur including Kamlapur office building Kamalapur ID colony for the year 2025-26 (12months) for **138.99 Lakhs**.The Pre bid meeting will be held on **20.02.2026 @ 11.30 AM** at Chief Engineer, KNNL, ICZ Munirabd office, Last date for submission of tender documents upto **25.02.2026 at 4.00 PM** & Date of opening of Technical Bid (Cover-I) on **26.02.2026 at 4.30 PM** For more information visit web site at **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)** & contact undersigned office in all working days during office hours and also via **email: trdmrb@gmail.com.**

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
KNNL No.1 T.R.Division, Munirabad

DIPR/Koppal/690/DeshpandePublicity/2025-26

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. SEE/Tr(Op)C-N/EEE/AEE-1/F-807&808/25-26/3764 Date: 19.02.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPP Portal Only)

KPTCL invites for the following tenders under the jurisdiction of Transmission (Operation) Circle-North, KPTCL Bengaluru.

1) Tender No: KPTCL/2025-26/IND0279 for Design, Manufacture, Testing and supply of 42 no's. of 800-400/1-1-1A ratio 66kV Current Transformers for various sub-stations.

2) Tender No: KPTCL/2025-26/IND0278 for Design, Manufacture Testing and supply of 30 no's. of 1200-800/1-1-1A ratio 66kV Current Transformers for various sub-stations.

The Bids will be received only through KPP Portal. The detailed notification can be obtained by logging on to **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **20.02.2026.** Any additional information shall be obtained from the undersigned.

Sd/- **Superintending Engineer (Elec.), Transmission (Operation) Circle-North, KPTCL, UAS Campus, Hebbala, Bengaluru-560 004,**

Government of Karnataka

TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

Office of the Regional Transport Office, Anjanapura, Bangalore (South).

No. RTO./BNG(S)/EST-2/PR-1/2025-26 Date:19.02.2026

Re e-Tender Notification

Tender is invited by Transport Department from the eligible firms for shifting of Regional Transport Office, Jayanagar, Bangalore situated at 2nd Flour.TTMC Buiding. Jayanagar, 4th Block. Bangalore to O/o Regional Transport Officer. Bangalore (South). Anjanapura, No.64/1, Uttarahalli Hobli, JP Nagar, 9th phase, Bangalore-560108 Tender along with necessary documents shall be submitted on-line through e-Procurement platform only. For more details please log on to e-proc website **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** Tenderers may take assistance from e-Procurement help desk at **080-46010000/ 080-68948777**. Last date for submission of Quotation is **27.02.2026 upto 5.15 P.M.** For Clarifications please contact: **080-26630989/9449864005 "Approved by the Joint Commissioner for Transport", Bangalore(Urban)**

Sd/-
Regional Transport Officer, Anjanapura, Bangalore (South)

DIPR/CP/5746/SHIRDI SAI/2025-26

Can Fin Homes Ltd

K R Puram Branch

No. 414, Pooja Complex,Old Madras Road, K R Puram, Bangalore – 560039, Tel No. 080-25619333/ 7625079185, Email Id: krpuram@canfinhomes.com
CIN: L85110KA1987PLC008699

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

[provison to rule 8(6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provison to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., K R Puram Branch, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **27-03-2026,** for recovery of **Rs. 26,63,340/-** (Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand Three Hundred Forty only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **Mrs. Anjali Devi** (Borrower) and **Mr. Surendra Kumar** (Guarantor), as on 19-02-2026, together with further interest and other charges thereon.

The reserve price will be **Rs.49,20,000/-** (Rupees Forty Nine Lakhs Twenty Thousand Only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.4,92,000/-** (Rupees Four Lakhs Ninty Two Thousand Only)

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and Parcel of the Property Western Portion of Site No.25, Formed Old Assessment No. 193/19, New Assessment No. 193, Bidarahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Measuring East to West: 20 Ft and North to South: 40 Ft., Totally Measuring 800 Sq.ft and Bounded On The: East : Remaining Portion of Site No. 25, West : Private Property, North : Road, South : Site No 26.

Encumbrances : Nil

The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx). Link for participating in e-auction : www.bankeauctionwizard.com

Date: 19.02.2026
Place : K. R. Puram

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Ltd.

Bank of Baroda

(A Government of India Undertaking)

Southend Road Branch

Ground Floor 16/1, Basvanagudi, South end Road, Bangalore- 560004, Telephone No.: 080-29647582, Email: vjsout@bankofbaroda.bank.in

POSSESSION NOTICE

(For Immovable Property Only)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Bank of Baroda** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **23.10.2025** Published on Newspaper Dated 02.12.2025 calling upon the Borrower **(1) Mr. Sajadh Singh** S/o K Singh, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.70,13,988.25 + Interest (Rupees Seventy Lakhs Thirteen Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Eight and Paisa Twenty Five Only)** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **17th day of February of the year 2026.**

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Bank of Baroda** for an amount of **Rs.70,13,988.25 + Interest (Rupees Seventy Lakhs Thirteen Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Eight and Paisa Twenty Five Only)** and interest thereon at the contractual rate plus cost, charges and expenses till date of payment.

The borrower's attention is invited to sub-section (8) of Section 13 in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel three bedroom flat bearing Flat No 707 7th Floor, Block-H2, "PROVIDENT WELWORTH CITY", Super built area of 1075.00sq ft, Carpet Area-783.62 sq ft. Undivided share of 312.47 Sq.ft, along with one semi-stilt car parking facility situated at Kadatanamale Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-562163, and bounded on the:- East by : Flat No 706, West by : Flat No 708, North by : Corridor, South by: Open to Sky.

Date : 17.02.2026
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Bank of Baroda

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.
Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch
1.	Basappa D/ Manjula/ LBMYS00006878937/ TBMYS00006847974	As Described In The Loan Document/ Property Document Covering All That Piece And Parcel of The Immovable Property Bearing House No.65, Situated At 4th Stage, Saraswathipuram Tonachikoppalu, Chamaraja Mohalla, Mysore, Site Measuring East To West:40.00 Feet And North To South: 60.00 Feet, In Total Measuring 2400.00 Sq. Feet And Thereon Building Measuring GF-1431 Sq. Feet & FF-1261 Sq. Feet, Built With RCC Roof (As Per The Bank's Approved Valuation Report Produced For Legal Scrutiny) And The Property Is Bounded On The; Bounded By: North: Property Bearing No.74; South: 9.00 Meters Road. East: Property Bearing No.64; West: Property Bearing No.66./ Date of Symbolic Possession On/ 16/02/2026.	30.10.2025 Rs. 81,41,131.16/-	Mysore

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: February 20, 2026
Place: Mysore & Bangalore

Sincerely Authorised Officer
For ICICI Bank Ltd.

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Govt of Karnataka

Town Municipal Council, Kampli. Ballari Dist.

Email : ka.kampli.tmc@gmail.com website : www.kamplitown.mrc.gov.in

No : TMCK/15TH fc/SFC/01/2025-26 Date : 17.02.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPPP Portal)

The Chief Officer, Town Municipal Council, Kampli. Invites tenders in two cover system using standard tender document for Development Somappa Park as below

Sl. No	Name of the Works & Indent No	Estimate Amount in Lakhs
01	Construction of approach road, RCC Drain in SWM Site in TMC Kampli. **DMA/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT55335**	83.40

Interested Contractors shall register on the https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in platform to participate in this tender; Contractors can download the tender documents from the KPPP platform. Tenders shall be submitted electronically & tender processing fee & EMD shall also be paid electronically.

Last date & time for tender queries / clarifications: **Date 04.03.2026 at 11.00 Hrs**
Last date and time for receipt of tenders **: Date 04.03.2026 at 17.00 hrs**
Date & time for opening of (technical bids): **Date 06.03.2026 at 11:00 Hrs**

DIPR/Ballari/1026/KSMCA/2025-26 **Sd/- Chief Officer TMC Kampli.**

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK

(A Scheduled Commercial Bank)

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 &12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangala Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

E-AUCTION NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE THROUGH E-AUCTION UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT (SARFAESI ACT) 2002, READ WITH PROVISO RULE 8(6) & 9 OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002.

The undersigned as authorised officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken possession** of the following property in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(4) of the SARFAESI ACT. The Borrower in particular and public at large are informed that online auction (e-auction)of the mortgage property in the below mentioned account for realisation of dues of the Bank will be held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS "** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** on the date as prescribed as here under.

Sr. No.	Loan Account Number	Name of Original Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor	Date of 13-2 Notice	Date of Possession	Present Outstanding balance as on 15.02.2026	Date & Time of Inspection of the property	Reserve Price in INR	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in INR	Date and Time of E-Auction	Last Date Time & Place for submission of Bid
1	32509630000550 32509410001043 32509630000165 32509410001211 & 45369800108522	1) Mr. Manjunatha S A, 2) Mrs. Thejaswini P	24.06.2025	19.11.2025	Rs.32,08,316.70 (Rupees Thirty Two Lakh Eight Thousand Three Hundred Sixteen and Seventy Paisa Only)	04.03.2026 Time: 09:30 AM to 05:00 PM	Rs.23,63,000/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand Only)	Rs.23,63,000/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand Only)	10.03.2026 @ 02:00 PM	09.03.2026, Till 5.00 PM Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd., The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071
	Details of Secured Assets: All the piece and parcel of the scheduled property residential vacant Site No.26, Assessment No.87, Khatha No.87, measuring East to West 25 ft and North to South 40 Ft, Total Measuring 1000 Sq.ft, situated at Sigenahalli Village, Yeshwanthpurra Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk and **Bounded by: On the East:** Road, **On the West:** 27th Main Road, **On the North:** Site No.19, **On the South:** Road.									

The properties are being held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** & **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** and the E-Auction will be conducted **'On Line'.** The auction will be conducted through the Bank's approved service provider **M/s. 4 Closure** at the web portal **https://bankauctions.in** & **www.foreclosureindia.com.** For more information and For details, help, procedure and online training on e-auction, prospective bidders may contact **M/s. 4 Closure; Contact Mr. Varun B Contact Number: 8142000809. Email id: info@bankauctions.in/ Karnataka@bankauctions.in..**

For further details on terms and conditions to take part in e-auction proceedings and any for any query relating to property please contact **Jana Small Finance Bank authorized officers Mr. Ranjan Naik (Mob. No.6362951653).** To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorised Officer, there are no encumbrances on the properties. However the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of property put on prior to submitting their bid. No conditional bid will be accepted. This is also a notice to the above named Borrowers/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors about e-auction scheduled for the mortgaged properties. The Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of auction, failing which the property will be sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date: 20.02.2026, Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorized Officer, Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

Bank of Baroda

City Market Branch (8948)
#18/1, 1st Floor, Rangaswami Temple Street, Chickpet, Bangalore, Karnataka-560 053
Ph : 080-22873757, 080-22873561,
e-Mail ID : VJCMBA@bankofbaroda.co.in

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

"APPENDIX- IV-A [See provision to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6)]"

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s), Mortgagor (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda, Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is"**, **"As is what is"**, and **"Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Mortgagor/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below -

Sr. lot no.	Name & address of Borrower	Description of the Properties	Total Dues	Date & Time of Auction	Reserve Price EMD Amount Increment amount	Status of Possession (Constructive/ Physical)	Property Inspection date & time
1	**1) M/s. Meghana Plantain Mandy,** being represented by Prop. Mr. Krishna N, residing at No.39, 1st Main road, 3rd Cross, Valmiki Nagar, Mysore Road, Bangalore-560026. **2) Mrs. Kempamma,** residing at No.39, 1st Main road, 3rd Cross, Valmiki Nagar, Mysore Road, Bangalore-560026. **3) Mrs. Anuraradha B P,** residing at No.39, 1st Main road, 3rd Cross, Valmiki Nagar, Mysore Road, Bangalore-560026.	All that piece and parcel of property belonging to Smt. Kempamma bearing Site No. 47, Sy No. 57 & 4 and is situated at Janatha Colony, Malagalu, Bangalore -560072, measuring East to West: 27 ft. North To South: 35 ft, which is bounded on: East by: Road, West by: Property No. 48, North by: Property No. 50, South by: Property No. 46	**Rs.57,40,172.00** (Rupees Fifty-Seven Lakhs Forty Thousand One Hundred Seventy Two) Plus Interest and Legal Expenses	**12.03.2026** between 02.00 PM to 06.00 PM	**Rs. 88,29,000/-** **Rs.8,82,900/-** **Rs. 25,000/-**	Symbolic Possession	With prior appointment from Authorised Officer
2	**1) M/S. Gandhi Iron and Steel Company,** represented by Prop. Mr. Jeetendra K Gandhi, No. 09, Mehta Apartment, Flat No.504, C Block, 5th Floor, Raghavendra Temple Street, Magadi Road, Bangalore - 560023, **2) Mrs. Smitha Gandhi,** No.09, Mehta Apartment, Flat No.504, C Block, 5th Floor, Raghavendra Temple Street, Magadi road, Bangalore - 560023	**Schedule 'A' Property:**All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No 25/1, presently bearing No 1 situated at III Cross, adjacent to Narasimharaja Road, Bangalore, admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side 106 Feet and on the southern Side 109 Feet and North to South by 61 Feet, totally measuring 6558 Sq Ft and bounded by:East by: Premises of Sholappa, West by: 3rd Cross Road, North by: Conservancy, South by: B Usmankhan Road **Schedule 'B' Property:** Commercial Unit No. 1/2 Municipal New No.1/42, P.I.D No 47-60-1/42, on the fourth floor of the building known as NAAZ COMPLEX constructed as Schedule-A property in terms of the sanctioned plan vide LP No.364/86- 87, dtd 04.03.1989 consisting of hall and a common toilet, along with common areas, facilities and amenities attributable thereto with a super built up area of 335.8 Sq Ft together with 93.8/6558 share of undivided interest in the schedule-A property equivalent to 93.8 Sq Ft. The building is of RCC with mosaic flooring, jungle wood and steel windows and bounded by:East by: Property of Mr Zia-Ur-Rehaman, West by: Office No 11, North by: Passage, South by: Open Space.	**Rs. 42,63,464.76** (Rupees Forty-Two Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Four Six and Seventy Six Paisa) plus interest and legal expenses.	**12.03.2026** between 02.00 PM to 06.00 PM	**Rs. 21,14,100/-** **Rs.2,11,410/-** **Rs. 25,000/-**	Physical Possession	With prior appointment from Authorised Officer

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer/visit to the website link https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm and online auction portal https://baanknet.com and Also, prospective bidders may contact the Authorised officer on Tel No. 080-22873561 & Mobile 9742413938

Date: 18.02.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
Bank of Baroda, City Market Branch

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pnb Housing Finance Limited

Regd. Office:- 9th Floor, Antriksh Bhavan, 22, K G Marg, New Delhi-110001. Phones:- 011-23357171, 23357172, 23705414, Website: www.pnbhousing.com

Jayanagar Branch:- PNB Housing Finance Ltd.1125/12, Ground Floor, Hampi Nagar, Vijayanagar, Bangalore-560104. Indira Nagar Branch:-#130/1, 1st Main road, Domlur 2nd stage, 2nd Phase, Indira nagar, Bangalore – 560071

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF CHAPTER III OF SECURITISATION & RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002, READ WITH RULE 3(1) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002 AMENDED AS ON DATE

We, the PNB Housing Finance Limited (hereinafter referred to as 'PNBHFL') had issued Demand notice U/s 13(2) of Chapter III of the Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. The said Demand Notice was issued through our Authorized Officer to all below mentioned Borrowers/Co-Borrower/Guarantors since your account has been classified as Non-Performing(NPA) Assets as per the Reserve Bank of India/ National Housing Bank guidelines due to non-payment of instalments/ interest. The contents of the same are the defaults committed by you in the payment of instalments of principals, interest, etc. Further, with reasons, we believe that you are evading the service of Demand Notice hence we are doing this Publication of Demand Notice which is also required U/s 13(2) of the said Act. You are hereby called upon to pay PNBHFL within a period of 60 Days of the date of publication of this demand notice the aforesaid amount along with up-to-date interest and charges, failing which PNBHFL will take necessary action/measures under all or any of the provisions of Section 13(4) of the said Act, against all or any one or more of the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the borrowers and guarantors. Your kind attention is invited to provisions of sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 where under you can tender/pay the entire amount of outstanding dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the PNBHFL only till the date of publication of the notice for sale of the secured assets by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty. FURTHER, you are prohibited U/s 13(13) of the said Act from transferring either by way of sale, lease or in any other way the aforesaid secured assets.

Loan Account No.	Name/ Address of Borrower and Co- Borrower(s)	Name & Address of Guarantor(s)	Property(ies) Mortgaged	Date of Demand Notice	Amount O/s as on date Demand Notice
HOU/BAN/1023/1167 114, B.O. Jaya nagar	**Mr. E Lava Kumar S/o. Ethiraj** No 1721 Govindashetty Palya, Anekal, Bengaluru -560100. **Mrs. Rajani W/o. E Lava Kuamr** No1721 Govindashetty Palya, Anekal, Bengaluru-560100.**Both also at:** No.7/36, Kuttaimedu, Pudhur Village, Erthangal, Gudiyatham, Vellore, TN – 632601. Plot No148, East Part, S No.678/2 NW, 678/1A5B 678/2A1, Karumariamman Layout, Zuzuvadi Village, Hosur, Krishnagiri T N -635126.	NA	In Zuzuvadi Village, of Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu attached to the Registration District of Krishnagiri and Sub Registration District of Hosur and also attached to the City Corporation Limits of Hosur. Survey No'S. 707/1, 709/2, 709/3, 709/5, 710/3, 710/4, 711/5, 678/1, 678/2, 679/1, 679/2, 677/1 and 677/2. The said Lands have been converted into House Plots, the said Layout Plan has been attested by the President of Zumvadi Panchayat, in which Plot No.148 EAST PART, measuring an extent of 540 Square Feet of House Plot and in this constructed RCC House belongs to the Vendor in the aforesaid manner and now being sold to the Purchaser and Bounded as follows :- East : Plot No.147, West: Plot No. 148 West Part belongs to Mr.Babu and Mr.G. Kuppan, North : Plot No. 127, belongs to Mr.Balasundaram.S, South : 24 Feet Wide Road. Within these Boundaries Measuring:-East to West on North Site : 12.00 Feet East to West on South Side : 12.00 Feet North to South on East Side : 45.00 Feet North to South on West Side : 45.00 Feet Total measuring an extent of 540 Square Feet (or) 50.13 Square Mtr, of land and in this Constructed RCC Building Ground Floor measuring 480 Square Feet (or) 44.56 Sq Mtr, including all accessories like Windows, Doors, Superstructures with Electrical Installation, Pipe Fittings, Water Connection, IHP Motor, Sump, Stair case etc., The above said Plot Comes in Survey Nos. 678/I and 678/2, in this New Sub Division Survey No.678/1A5B, Dry.Ext.Hec.0.0.39, Asst.Rs.0.10, as per Patta No.11194) The House bearing Plot No. 148 East Part. The House bearing EBSC No.0590063491.	09-02-2026	Rs. 23,22,070/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lakh Twenty Two Thousand and Seventy Only) due as on 09-02-2026
HOU/BLRI/0418/523732, B.O. Indiranagar	**Mr. Prathap C S/o. Channegowda** No 36, Ground Floor, Sapthagiri Layout, J P Nagar, Bangalore, Bangalore - 560076. **Mrs. Padma W/o. Prathap C** No 36, Ground Floor, Sapthagiri Layout, J P Nagar, Bangalore, Bangalore - 560076. **Both also at:** Flat No 1-A, Ground Floor, S L Homes, 8th Phase, J P Nagar, Kothanur Village, Bangalore -560062. **M/s. Zesiy Chiken and Fish Shop** No.29/1, Beerashewra Nagar, Chunchughtta, Bangalore – 560062.	NA	**Schedule 'A' Property** All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site Nos.37 and 40, carved out of Sy.No.21/2, situated at J.P.Nagar 8th Phase, Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, formerly No.37 and 40, Khatha No.798, situated at Vaddarapalya Grama, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West : 40-0 feet, North to South : 60-0 feet, totally measuring 2400 Square feet, and bounded on the :- East by: Site No. 36 and 41,West by: Site No.38 & 39,North by: (Old Road) Presently Private Property, South by : Road. **Schedule 'B' Property** (Undivided share of land conveyed under this Sale Deed) 237.30 Square feet of undivided share, right, title and interest of land in the Schedule 'A' Property. **Schedule 'C' Property** (Super Built up Area of the Flat conveyed under this Sale Deed)Residential Flat bearing Flat No, I-A (2 BHK) in Ground Floor in the residential Apartment building known as "S.L.HOMES" having 1130 Square feet of Super Built-Up Area, constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property constructed with Vitrified tile flooring, Main door is Teak wood frame with ISI Teak flush doors and all other doors of Sal wood frames with flush doors, 3 Tract UPVC windows with MS grills, along with One Covered Car Parking Place in Stilt Floor, together with proportionate share of right, title and interest in common areas, passages, lobbies, staircase, lift and other areas of common use in the Schedule 'A' Property.	09-02-2026	Rs. 30,15,872/- (Rupees Thirty Lakh Fifteen Thousand Eight hundred and Seventy Two Only) due as on 09-02-2026
00196660000944, B.O. Jayanagar	**Mr. Ravi Babu A @ Adusumilli Ravi Babu S/o. Siva Prasad** No.456, Road No.3, Industrial Area, Jigani, Bangalore - 560105.**Also at:** Site No. 148/1, Sy No 309, 310/1, Kalkere Village, K R Purm, Bangalore – 560036. No. 578-67, Thungalam, BHPV Post, Near Gajuwaka, Visakhapatanam, A P – 530012.	NA	All that piece and parcel of the schedule Property of residential Site bearing No.148/1, Khatha No.56/13, Property No.310/1, Situated at Kalkere Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Now comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP, measuring East to West : (58+56)/2 feet, North to South : 31 feet, totally measuring 1767 Square feet, and bounded on the :- East by: Layout compound thereafter private property,West by: 33 feet Road,North by: Site No. 149, South by : Site No. 148.	09-02-2026	Rs.2,32,922 (Rupees Two Lakh Thirty Two Thousand Nine Hundred & Twenty Two Only) due as on 09-02-2026
HOU/BAN/0516/290702, B.O. Jaya nagar	**Balakrishna V Mr. Balakrishna V S/o. Venkataramanaiah Manjunatha Nilaya,** 2nd Cross, Basaveshwara Badavane, Kyathsandra, Tumkur -572104. **Mrs. Meenakshi B K W/o. Balakrishna V Manjunatha Nilaya,** 2nd Cross, Basaveshwara Badavane, Kyathsandra, Tumkur -572104. **Both also at:** Katha No. 2182/732, Old Katha No.9/1, Basaveshwaranagar extension, Kyathsandra, Tumkur -572101.	NA	All that piece and parcel of the Residential Site bearing in Khatha No.2182/732/3540 (Old Khatha No.9/I and Later on Khatha No.2182/732), PID No.93217, measuring towards East to West 26 Feet and North to South 20 Feet i.e., 26' X 20' Feet, situated at Ward No.34, Basaveshwaranagara, Tumkur, and Bounded on: East By: Property belongs to Nagarajappa his children. West By: House belongs to Giriyappa, Lakshamamma.North By:Road.South By: House belongs to Nagaraju and Remaining site in same Khatha No.	09-02-2026	Rs.9,68,798 (Rupees Nine Lakh Sixty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Eight Only) due as on 09-02-2026
HOU/MLS/0517/393428 & NHL/MLS/0617/397649, B.O. Malleshwaram	**Mr. K Ravi S/o. Krishnappa** D No2/1097, Basthi Avalapalli Road, Hosur, Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu-635109. **Mrs. M Aswini W/o. K Ravi** D No 2/1097, Basthi Avalapalli Road, Hosur, Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu-635109. **Both also at:** D No - 3/227-1 S F No. 674/1, New S F No 674/1A1A, Viveka-nanda Nagar, Avalapalli Village, Hosur, Krishnagiri, T N-635109. **M/s. Sri Lakshmi Narayana Medicals** D No 2/1095, Basthi Avalapalli Road, Hosur, Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu-635109	NA	Krishnagiri District, Krishnagiri Registration District, Hosur Sub Registration, Hosur Taluk, in Avalapalli Village, the land bearing SF. No.674/1, (Six Hundred and Seventy Four One), Dry Extent Hec. 1.08.5, Asst. 3.00, according to New Sub Division SF. No.674/1A1A (Six Hundred and Seventy Four / One A One A), Dry in this an extent of 1053.5 Square feet of vacant land belongs to the Setler in the aforesaid manner and now being entered into this Git Settlement Deed bounded by: East : Land belonging to Gandhi West : 20 feet Road North: Share land belonging to K. Nanjundappa South: Share land belonging to K Sathyanarayna.Within these boundaries measuring East to West on North Side: 15.4 Meter East to West on South Side: 15.2 Meter North to South on East Side:7.4 Meter North to South on West Side: 5.4 Meter Total 1053.5 Sq.Feet.	09-02-2026	Rs. 25,53,289/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Fifty Three Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty Nine Only) as on 09-02-2025

Place: Bangalore, Dated: 19.02.2026 **Authorized Officer, (M/s PNB Housing Finance Ltd.)**

The Brihanmumbai Electric Supply & Transport Undertaking
(OF THE BRIHANMUMBAI MAHANAGARPALIKA)

TENDER NOTICE

E-tenders are invited for the supply of following items.

(1) Appointment of Firm for Lifting & Banking of Daily Traffic Earnings of the BEST Undertaking for a Period of 3 Years, Extendable by up to 2 additional Years, (2) 81204.

Note: For more details, log on to website **https://mahatenders.gov.in**

PRO/AAM(M)/123/2026 **GENERAL MANAGER**

AMANATH CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD
(Scheduled Bank)
Corporate Office: "Amanath House" No: 43, Hospital Road, Shivajinagar, Bengaluru-560001 Tel: 080-22957700/01/06/13
Website: www.amanath-bank.com, E-mail: ceo@amanath-bank.com

PUBLIC NOTICE
Mandatory KYC Update for Customers

All the valued customers are hereby informed that in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India, it is mandatory for banks to periodically update the Know Your Customer (KYC) details of their customers.

All customers who have not updated their KYC documents are requested to visit their respective branches and complete the KYC updation process at the earliest. Customers are required to carry the following documents:

- Proof of Identity (Aadhaar Card, PAN Card, Passport, Voter ID, etc.)
- Proof of Address (Utility Bill, Passport, Aadhaar Card, etc.)
- Recent Passport-size Photographs·
- PAN Card (mandatory as per banking norms)

Please note that customers who have not maintained the stipulated minimum balance and who fails to update KYC in their accounts will be closed within one month from the date of notice. For further information or assistance, customers are requested to contact their respective branch during working hours.

Date: 19-02-2026 **General Manager (I/c)**

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
ZILLA PANCHAYAT BELAGAVI
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
PANCHAYAT RAJ ENGINEERING DIVISION, CHIKODI
Email :preckdee@gmail.com Office Phone No: 08338-272131,

No.PRE/CKD/Db/kppp/2025-26/8177 Date: 16-02-2026

Kppp- ¸SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, State, Item Rate (Technical bids and Financial bids through E-Mode), E-Bids are invited for the following works through standard tender document KW-1, KW-2, KW-3, KW-4 (Standard Tender Document) from the eligible Contractors, registered in P.R.E. Department, & with kppp registration Bangalore, on "turn-key", basis only.

1]Last date of request for issue of blank E-bid document through e-Procurment Date: Other works:16-02-2026 To 27-02-2026, 2]Bid Closing & submission Date: Other works:27-02-2026 AT 04:00 PM,3]Tender Opening Date: Other works: 02-03-2026 AT 11:00 AM, 4]Pre Bid Meeting Date: [KW-3 & 4 Works Only]:26-02-2026 AT 05:00 PM, 5]Techanical Bid Opening Date: [KW-3 & 4 Works Only]:02-02-2026 AT 11:00 AM, 6]Financial Bid Opening Date: [KW-3 & 4 Works Only]:04-02-2026 AT 11:00 AM.

General Works Indent No's:24455, 24453, 24469, 24467, 24451, 24448, 24460, 24496, 24492, 24466, 24446, 24506, 24443, 24445, 24462, 24454, 23965, 24868, 23944, 23943, 24042, 24041, 22966, SC Works Indent No's:24471, 24458, 24452, 23942, 24053, 24045,ST Works Indent No's:24457, 24489, 24044, Category 1 Works Indent No's:24470, 24504, Category 2A Works Indent No's:24497, 24499, 24449, 24503, 24039, 24040.

For further details, the agencies may contact the office of the undersigned, during office hours, or may visit web site: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/

Sd/-Executive Engineer
P.R.E. Division, Chikodi.

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-1876/KSMCA/2025-26

STATE BANK OF INDIA
HOME LOAN CENTRE, BENGALURU CENTRAL
Lady Curzon Road, Bengaluru-560001.
Contact No: 9448053481, Email Id: sbi.63988@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE Appendix IV (Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

A/c No: HTL-39411379775, HTL-40880307098, HTL-43385779327

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized officer of the **State Bank of India** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (54 OF 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **11.12.2025** and calling upon **Borrower : Sri. Mohit Mahesh Pant** S/o Sri.Maheshchandra Haricharan H.No. 3055, Tower 3, Level-5, 4th Floor, Building-2, Prestige Tranquility, Bommenahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore-560049. **And also at: i)** Flat No.6165, Tower 6, Prestige Tranquility, Bommenahalli Bidarahalli Budigere, Old Madras Road, Mundur, Bangalore-560049. **ii)** TelSpiel Communications Pvt. Ltd., E43/1, Okhla Industrial Area, Phase II, Okhla, New Delhi-110020. **iii)** Uma Sree Dream World, "B" Block, Bhive Workspace No.112, AKR Tech Park, "N" and 7th Mile Hosur Road, Krishna Reddy Industrial Area, Bangalore-560068. **iv)** Flat No.405, Eakta Vihar Society, Sector 25, Belapur, Navi Mumbai-400614 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice **Rs. 1,13,28,446/-** (Rupees One Crore Thirteen Lakhs Twenty Eight Thousand Four Hundred and Forty Six only) as on 10.12.2025 + interest from 11.12.2025 + incidental charges within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower(s)/mortgager(s) having failed to repay the amount demanded as per Demand Notice, notice is hereby given to the borrower(s)/mortgager(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on **19.02.2026.**

The borrower(s)/mortgager(s) in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **State Bank of India** for an amount of **Rs. 1,15,10,439/-** (Rupees One Crore Fifteen Lakhs Ten Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty Nine only) as on 15.02.2026 and interest + expenses thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13(8) of the Act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule "A" Property : All that immovable property being contiguous and compact block of vacant lands comprised in (i) Survey No.193 measuring 5 Acres (ii) Sy.No.194 measuring 5 Acres 16 Guntas, (iii) Sy.No.195 measuring 5 Acres 1 Gunta (iv) Sy.No.196 measuring 8 Acres 17 Guntas and (v) Sy.No.152 measuring 11 Acres 28 Guntas (including 17 Guntas of "A" Kharab land, duly converted), in all totally admeasuring 35 Acres 22 Guntas (less areas surrendered to Hosakote Planning Authority) and situated at Bommenahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Tauk, Bangalore District duly converted vide Official Memorandum bearing No. BDS/ALN (E) VB/SR:397/2004-05, dated March 30, 2005, for non-agricultural residential purposes and **bounded on the : East by :** Road and Land bearing Survey No.192, **West by :** Budhigere Hoskote Road and Land bearing Survey Nos. 171, 136, 135, 134, 179 and 178, **North by :** Land bearing Sy.No.96 and Water Tank and **South by :** Remaining Portion of Land in Sy.No. 152 and thereafter Land bearing Survey No. 130 and Nimbekaipura Road.

Schedule "B" Property (Description of the Property hereby conveyed) : 55.97 Sq.Mtrs., of undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in the land in Schedule "A" Property.

Schedule "C" Property (Description of the Apartment) : All that Residential Apartment bearing No.3055, situated on Level-5, Fourth Floor in Building-2, Tower-3 of "Prestige Tranquility" constructed in Schedule "A" Property and measuring 1820 Sq.Feet of super built up area, inclusive of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use, with right to use One Covered Car Parking Space/s in the Basement Floor and the Apartment is presently bearing e-Property No.150200401601621015 in the records of Mandur Village Panchayath, Bangalore East Taluk and Apartment is **bounded by : East by :** Apartment No.3054 in Level-5, 4th Floor, in Building-2, Tower-3 of "Prestige Tranquility", **West by :** Open towards Open Space in Building-2, Tower-3 of "Prestige Tranquility", **North by :** Entrance Corridor / Lift Lobby in Level-5, 4th Floor in Building-2, Tower-3 of "Prestige Tranquility", **South by :** Open towards Open Space in Building-2, Tower-3 of "Prestige Tranquility".

The walls are built out of Hollow Cement Brick and Cement with RCC Roofing and vitrified tile flooring it is provided with amenities like electricity, water and sanitary connections. The paneled doors and door frames for all doors and windows are of anodized aluminium panels/UPVC and the flat is held in the name of "Sri.Mohit Mahesh Pant S/o Sri.Maheshchandra Haricharan".

Absolute Sale Deed is registered on 02.03.2022 in favour of **"Sri.Mohit Mahesh Pant S/o Sri.Maheshchandra Haricharan"** in the office of Senior SRO Shivajinagara (Shivajinagara) Bangalore in Book No.1 under Document No. SHV-1-07129/2021-22 and stored in C D No. SHVD1064 dated 02.03.2022.

Date : 19.02.2026
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer and Chief Manager
State Bank of India, Home Loan Centre
Bengaluru Central, Bangalore.

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF FISHERIES (TRAINING CENTRE), K.R.SAGAR

NO:Cage/1/2025-26 Date:19.02.2026

NOTICE INVITING EOI FOR SELECTION OF ENTITIES FOR DEVELOPING CAGE CULTURE IN K.R.SAGAR RESERVOIR ON LEASE-DEVELOPMENT-OPERATE BASIS.

The Deputy Director of Fisheries, on behalf of Department of Fisheries, Government of Karnataka invites submission of Expression of interest from interested individuals/fish farmers /Fisheries co-operative societies/Self help groups/ farmer Fish producer organization/companies for developing cage culture in the reservoir of K.R.Sagar on lease-develop ment -operate basis. Last date for submission of EOI is 03.03.2026 up to 17.00 hrs. For more information visit Department of Fisheries, website https://fisheries.karnataka.gov.in/page/Tender+and+Notification/en and contact the office of Deputy Director of Fisheries as stated above. Mobile No 9448500695/9110263624

Sd/- Deputy Director of Fisheries

DIPR/DDMYS/1699/KSMCA/955/2025-26

KARNATAKA STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION
Mangaluru Division : Mangaluru

No.KST/MNG/TR/COM/3206/2025-26 Date:18.02.2026

E-Tender Notification No.10/2025-26
(Through e-Procurement only)

Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation, Mangaluru Division, invites e-Tender for the selection of Licensee for Display of packagewise Advertisement Hoardings, Glow sign Boards, Platform Boards, LED TV/Screen Inside & Outside of the bus stations, Depot, Divisional workshop that are coming under KSRTC Mangaluru Division, for a period of Five years (with annual escalation of 10% on Monthly Licence fee) through e-procurement.

E-Tender documents can be downloaded from e-procurement website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or before **09.03.2026 at 16.00Hrs.** E-Tender technical Bid Opening Date:**12.03.2026 at 10:30 hrs** & Financial Bid Opening at **11:00hrs.**

For more details visit Divisional Office, K.S.R.T.C., Mangaluru Division, Bejai, Mangaluru -575004 during office hours. Contact Details : Divisional Traffic Officer - 7760990702, Assistant Traffic Manager- 7760990711.

Sd/- Senior Divisional Controller
K.S.R.T.C., Mangaluru Division.

DIPR/CP/JA/5753/2025-26

PUBLIC NOTICE

One of our Clients intend to purchase all that piece and parcel of **Residential Apartment** morefully described in the **'Schedule'** hereunder and hereinafter referred as **'Schedule Property'** belonging to **Mr. Devesh Amin** son of Mr. Vithal Shivappa Amin **["Owner"].**

Any person or persons, entities including any bank/ societies/ financial institutions, companies, asserting/ having any claim, demand, right, title or interest of any kind over the Schedule Property or any part thereof, in any manner whatsoever whether by way of sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, mortgage, charge, encumbrance, loan, deposit of title deeds, tenancy, sub-tenancy, let, lease, license, inheritance, succession, share, gift, devise, lien, maintenance, bequest, easement, trust, covenant, possession, occupation, family arrangement/settlement, partition, contracts/ agreements, partnership, litigation, Decree, Court Order, Award of any Court of Law, Tribunal, Authority and/or any other fora, acquisition, agreement/s for sale, partnership, other contracts/ agreements or otherwise of any nature whatsoever or having any claim in the Schedule Property or any documents relating thereto or against the Owner or objecting to sale or any transactions by the Owner, should write to the undersigned within **ten (10) days** from the date of this Public Notice, together with documentary proof thereof, failing which, the claim or claims, if any, of such person or person/s over the Schedule Property or any part thereof shall be considered to have been waived and/or abandoned and no such claims will be deemed to exist and our Clients shall proceed to purchase the Schedule Property, without any impediments and/or reference to such claim/s, demand/s, etc.

SCHEDULE [SCHEDULE PROPERTY]

ALL THAT piece and parcel of **Residential Apartment No.: H-0134, RDPR e- Khata PID No.: 150300201400121813**, First Floor, 'H' Block, measuring **1,080 Square Feet** of Super Built Up Area, together with **398.77 Square Feet** of Undivided Share of Land & **One (1) Top Covered Car Parking** Space Slot No. Stilt-61on the Basement/Stilt Level, including proportionate share in common areas, such as passages, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use and amenities of the Building constructed thereupon, in the **Building No. 19**, known as **'CEDAR'** at **'Brigade Orchards'**, presently within the jurisdiction of Bettakote Gram Panchayat, constructed on the Converted Land comprised in **Survey No. 39**, situated at Rayasandra Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, duly converted *vide* Order bearing No. ALN (Dev)/SR/89 of 2003-04, dated 28th April 2004, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Rural District and butted and bounded, that is to say, as follows:

On the **East by** : Open Space; On the **West by** : Apartment No. H-133;
On the **North by** : Apartment No.I-141; and On the **South by**: Lobby.

Dated this 19th day of February 2026.
Through its Advocates
Partha Mandal, Founding Partner & Umesha. R, Partner
CHUGH UNIVERSAL LEGAL
5th Floor, 'Phoenix Pinnacle' # 46, Ulsoor Road, Bangalore - 560 042
Phone:- +91 80 6761 6000

STATE BANK OF INDIA
Home Loan Centre, Yelahanka(18994)
No.5/1, Prestige Star Building,I Floor, Ring Road,
Near Mother Dairy Yelahanka Newtown, Bengaluru-560065,
Tel:080-29720743/45/49, Email ID:sbi.18994@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE
Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

A/c No.HL 40137026049, HL 41727128374

WHEREAS, The Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, Home Loan Centre, Yelahanka, Bengaluru under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **10.12.2025** calling upon the borrower **Sri.K S Sujay** S/o Sri.K H Suresh Reddy to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.57,69,897/-** (Rupees Fifty-Seven Lakh Sixty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Seven Only) as on 08.12.2025 with future interest at contractual rate from 09.12.2025 together with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower/mortgager having failed to repay the amount as mentioned in the Demand Notice, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/mortgagers and the public in general that the undersigned, being the Authorised Officer of the State Bank of India, Home Loan Centre, Yelahanka, Bengaluru has taken possession of the property of the borrower **Sri.K S Sujay** S/o Sri.K H Suresh Reddy, described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules 2002,on **18.02.2026.**

The borrower/mortgager in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of State Bank of India for an amount of **Rs.58,75,253/-** (Rupees Fifty Eight Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Three Only) as on 15.02.2026 and further interest at contractual rate from 16.02.2026 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon.

Theborrower/mortgager's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

SCHEDULE A PROPERTY : (Description of the entire property) : All that piece and parcel of residential property bearing Site Nos.23, 24, 26 & 27, formed in Sy No.5/2 of Yelachenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now comes within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Ward No.185 of Yelachenahalli, Bangalore and all the sites clubbed into one single khata and bearing BBMP Khata No.498/23, 27/5/2/26, 24/500/592, measuring East to West: 80 feet and North to South: (60 + 54.6)/2 feet, in all 4584 Sq.feet and bounded on: East by : Road, West by : Road, North by :Private Property, South by : Private Property

SCHEDULE B PROPERTY : (Description of undivided land share hereby conveyed) : 220 square feet of undivided share, right, title and interest in the land comprising in Schedule A Property.

SCHEDULE B PROPERTY : (Description of the residential apartment hereby conveyed) Three Bedrooms Apartment bearing No.C-1, Second Floor measuring 1225 square feet of super built up area with vitrified tiles, flooring, one covered car parking place, proportionate share in common area such as passages, lobbies, lifts, stair cases and other areas of common use part of multistoried residential apartment known as **"SRI KRISHNA RESIDENCY"** constructed at Schedule A Property, standing in the name of Sri.K.S.Sujay S/o Sri.K.H.Sureshareddi.

Place:Bengaluru
Date: 18.02.2026

Sd/- Authorised Officer
STATE BANK OF INDIA
Home Loan Centre, Yelahanka, Bengaluru

BENGALURU NORTH CITY CORPORATION
Office of the Executive Engineer, Yelahanka Division, Bangalore-560064.

No. BNCC/EE/YNK.D/KPPP/07/2025-26 Date: 19.02.2026

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)
(SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION)
(TWO COVER SYSTEM)

(Through GOK KPP Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in only)

The Executive Engineer Yelahanka Division BNCC invites tenders from eligible Tenderers for the works detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1.	Formation of 30m Wide New link road (Gas pipeline Road) from Sandeep Unnikrishnan road to Kavery Layout in Yelahanka. **Estimate Amount : Rs.300.00 Lakhs. EMD : Rs.4,50,000.00**

Calendar of Events : (1) Date of Pre-bid Meeting : **23.02.2026 at 15.00 hrs (2)** Last Date & Time for receipt of tenders : **05.03.2026 at 16.00 hrs (3)** Date & Time of Opening of Technical bid : **06.03.2026 after 16:00 hrs.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Yelahanka Division, BNCC

SHRIRAM Finance
SHRIRAM FINANCE LIMITED,
Legal Department,
No.145, Santhome High Road, (3rd Floor), Mylapore, Chennai-600 004. PH : 044-4392 5335

Regd. Office: Sri Towers, Plot No.14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India, 600032

APPENDIX IV-A [See Provision to Rule 8(6)]
E-AUCTION NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with provision to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Note: Pursuant to the Scheme of Amalgamation approved by the Hon'ble NCLT, Chennai on 09.11.2022 in C.P. No: 69-76 of 2022, M/s. Shriram City Union Finance Limited was merged with M/s. Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited. Subsequently, the name of M/s. Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited stands changed to M/s. Shriram Finance Limited. By virtue of the above, Shriram Finance Limited with effect from 30.11.2022 vide Certificate of Incorporation pursuant to change of name dated 30.11.2022.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower and Guarantors that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Symbolic Possession** of which has been taken on **19.12.2025** by the Authorised Officer of Shriram Finance Limited, Secured Creditor, will be sold on in **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** basis on **24.03.2026 Between 2.00 P.M to 4.00 P.M.,** for recovery of dues of **Rs.1,46,83,747/- as on 24.09.2025** with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from **25.09.2025** due to the Shriram Finance Limited, Secured Creditor as per Demand Notice dated **25.09.2025** issued u/s 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, issued to the Guarantor(s) mentioned below:

Agreement No. PUNGATF1207310019
Name and Address of the Guarantor / Mortgagor: (i) Mr. Prakasha R @ Mr. R.Prakash, (Borrower & Mortgager) S/o (Late) Rudrappa, D.No.13, 1st Division Extention, Santa Street, Jigani, Bangalore, Anekal Taluk, Karnataka - 560 083, **(ii) Mrs.Bhagyamma, (Guarantor)** W/o (Late) Rudrappa, D.No.13, 1st Division Extention, Santa Street, Jigani, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560 083, **(iii) Mr.M.Harrish Kumar, (Guarantor)** S/o. Mr. Mariyappa, D.No.17, 1st Division Extension, Santa Street, Jigani, Rajappa Layout, Bangalore, Anekal Taluk, Karnataka - 560 083.

Description of immovable property: The land bearing Sy.No.88 and New Sy.No.88/1, measuring Ac.0.10 Guntas an extent of Ac.0.3 Guntas of Jigani Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District. **Boundaries:** East by: Jagannatha Reddy, West by: Land of Narasimha Reddy, North by: Land of Ramachandrappa and Kavitha(Ac.0.04 Guntas of lands is left for Road in the land of Ramachandrappa), South by: Land of Chandrasekhar.

Known Encumbrances, if any : NIL

RESERVE PRICE:	EMD : 10% of Reserve Price	BID INCREMENT :
Rs.63,73,000/-	i.e. Rs.6,37,300/-	Rs.50,000/-

Last date for submission of Bid form with the EMD or before 23.03.2026 5.00 P.M.

Date and Time of Inspection of the property and related documents: During working hours by prior appointment

DATE AND TIME OF E-AUCTION: 24.03.2026 BETWEEN 2.00 PM TO 4.00 P.M.

Bidders are advised to visit the website www.murrays.in of our e-auction service provider **M/s Murray & Co** to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance please call M/s Murray & Co Help Desk **044-24995208/ 24995219** and also the Authorised Officer **Mrs.M.Mageswari (Phone: 8939255112;** Mail ID: **mageswari.m@shriramfinance.in**). For registration and EMD status please contact M/s Murray & Co please contact property@murrays.in.

For Detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the website https://www.shriramfinance.in/auction of Shriram Finance Limited.

Place: Chennai
Date : 20.02.2026

Authorised Officer
Shriram Finance Limited

STATE BANK OF INDIA
Retail Assets Central Processing Centre – II
Koramangala Bangalore #12,
Ground, 2nd& 3rd Floor, 80 Feet Road,1st Block,
Koramanagala,Bangalore-560034.Karnataka,India.
Email: maintracpc2.ban@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE
Under Rule 8(1) (For immovable property)

A/c No.: SBI/RACPC/SISIR/KRMANGALA/HL/39449852209/Surakash/ 39449936440/ Top-Up/42589240508

WHEREAS, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the State Bank of India, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (No.3 of 2002) issued a Demand Notices dated **09-12-2025** issued, calling upon the **Borrower:1) Mr. K. S Sujay** S/o. K. H Suresh Reddy, No. 11/2, Palace Cross Road, Vasanth Nagar, Near HDFC Bank Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru - 560 020. **Also, at: 1)Mr. K. S Sujay,** S/o. K. H Suresh Reddy. Raising Foods & Farms. No.79. Shop No. 19C, 13th A" Cross, Kanakapura Main Road, J P Nagar,Bengaluru-560078. **2) Mr. K. S Sujay.** S/o. K. H Suresh Reddy. No,02, Kamadalagondi, Chikkammallanahole, Davanagere – 577 528. **3) Mr. K. S Sujay. S/o. K. H Suresh Reddy,** SIO N, T.R Nagara, Near Pyramid Park, Challakere, Chitradurga – 577 522.**4) Mr. K. S Sujay** S/o. K. H Suresh Reddy.Raising Foods & Farms K.No. 4249/4271/4271, Chiranahatti Cross, Bellary Road, Challakere, Chitradurga – 577 522. **5) Mr. K. S Sujay** S/o. K. H Suresh Reddy. SRI KRISHNA RESIDENCY Flat No E-1, 4th Floor, Yelachenahalli Village,Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru – 560 062.to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being of **Rs.76,69,560/- (**Rupees Seventy-Six Lakhs Sixty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty Only) as on 06/12/ 2025, and with interest at contractual rate and expenses thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said rules, on **16.02.2026.**

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the State Bank of India for an amount of **Rs. 76,95,284/-** (Rupees Seventy-Six LakhsNinety-Five ThousandTwo Hundred and Eighty-FourOnly) as on 13-02-2026, and interest, + expenses, cost, charges, etc. thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provision of Sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY : (Description of the entire property) All that piece and parcel of residential property bearing Site Nos.23, 24, 26 & 27, formed in Sy. No.5/2 of YELACHENAHALLI VILLAGE, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now comes within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Ward No.185 of Yelachenahalli, Bangalore, and all the sites clubbed into one single khata and bearing BBMP Khata No.498/23,27/5/2/26,24/500/592, measuring east to west: 80 feet and north to south: 60+54.6/2 feet, in all 4584 Sq. feet, and bounded on the:- East by: Road, West by: Road, North by: Private Property. South by: Private Property,

SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY : (Description of the Undivided land share hereby conveyed) : 220 Square feet of Undivided Share, right, title and interest in the land comprising in Schedule 'A' Property.

SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY : (Description of the residential apartment hereby conveyed) : **Three Bedrooms** Apartment Bearing **No. E-1,** Fourth Floor measuring 1225 Square feet of super built up area with Vitrified Tiles Flooring, one covered car parking place, proportionate share in common area such as passages, lobbies, lifts, stair cases and other areas of common use part of multistoried residential apartment known as **"SRI KRISHNA RESIDENCY"** constructed at **SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY.**

Place : Bengaluru
Date: 16.02.2026

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
State Bank of India , **RACPC-II, Koramangala**

TENDER NOTICE
Four Seasons Hotel, Bengaluru.

Quadron Business Park Pvt Ltd. - Four Seasons Hotel Bengaluru at Embassy ONE, a 5-star luxury hotel invites sealed tenders from reliable and established vendors from Bengaluru on rate contract basis for 12 months commencing from **1st May 2026 to 30th April 2027** for the supply of following:

FOOD & BEVERAGE

1.	Local Groceries, Whole Spices, Branded Spices, Dry Fruits & Nuts	10.	Bread & Chapati
2.	Imported Groceries, Bakery Products, Tinned, Canned & Bottled Food Products	11.	Sona Masoori Rice& Basmati Rice
3.	Fresh Fruits (Indian & Imported)	12.	Chats & Savouries, Indian sweets & Snacks
4.	Frozen Green Peas & Sweet corn	13.	Cold Cuts Local & Imported
5.	Fresh Milk, Dairy Products Local & Imported Cheese	14.	Poultry (Chicken, Farm Fresh Eggs & Cage Free Eggs)
6.	Fresh Noodles & Wonton Sheets	15.	Fresh Fish & Sea Food
7.	Ice Cream & Kulfis	16.	Frozen Sea Food Local & Imported
8.	Packaged Drinking Mineral water & soft drinks	17.	Lamb Products and Fresh Tender loin
9.	Fresh Local Vegetables, & Exotic Vegetables (Local & Imported), Peeled Garlic, Bean Sprouts, Peeled Shallots/Onions, Micro Greens, Mushrooms & Grated Coconut.		

GENERAL ITEMS & SERVICES

1.	Office & Printing Stationery	6.	Engineering Supplies (Electrical, Plumbing, Painting & Hardware)
2.	LPG, Gel Fuel& T-Light Candles	7.	Disposable, packing material & Cleaning Supplies and Tissue Paper Products
3.	Charcoal	8.	Goods, transport vehicle providers
4.	Fresh Flowers and Flower designs	9.	Manpower – KST, ODC, Kitchen, F&B Service, Housekeeping and Laundry
5.	Hiring of AV Equipment and Banquet CCG/ Furniture	10.	Duct Cleaning, Kalai, Buffing & Gas Burner Cleaning

Tender Forms and other Particulars can be obtained on payment of Rs.1000/- for each category and are available with the purchase Department at the hotel between **10am to 5pm from 20th February 2026 till 28th February 2026**. Contact No.: 080-45222232/34. The last date of submitting tenders is **02nd March 2026**. The Tender is subject to following: **1.** The Rates finalized for the twelve months will not change under any circumstances. **2.** The rates must be inclusive of delivery charges till our stores premises; GST should be shown separately on the invoices if applicable. **3.** The Hotel reserves the right to reject any or all tenders without any reasons whatsoever and no representation shall be entertained on this account. Preference will be given to suppliers with ISO 22000/ HACCP certification / Eco Labelled / FSSAI License.

Sealed applications are to be submitted at the below mentioned address.

Four Seasons Hotel Bengaluru at Embassy ONE
#8, Bellary Road, Ganganagar, Near Mekhri Circle, Bengaluru-560032.

Government of Karnataka
(Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department)
KARNATAKA RURAL ROAD DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
III Floor, Grameenabhivruddhi Bhavana,
Ananda Rao Circle, Bengaluru - 560009.
Phone No.: 080-29710021/ 22 / 23 / 24 Fax: 080-29710025
E-mail: coo.krrda.karbng@gmail.com Website: http://www.krrda.in

No:KRRDA/TA-01/AE-09/208/TND NOT-9/2025-26/3099 Date: 19-02-2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION-9

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, KRRDA invites Item Rate Tenders through KPP Portal for the following Indent work.

i) **Under 5054 General Scheme, Kalburgi. KRRDA/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENTNo: 316**
ii) **Earnest Money Deposit (EMD): 1.5% of the Amount Put to Tender.**

Calendar of tendering events are as follows:

1) Date of Pre Bid Meeting: **11-03-2026 at 11.00 AM. 2)** Last Date for Online Submission of Bids: **23-03-2026 upto 5.00 PM. 3)** Date of Opening of Technical Bid: **24-03-2026 at 5:05 PM onwards. 4)** Date of Opening of Financial Bid: **26-03-2026 at 5.00 PM onwards or After Completion of Technical Bid Evaluation.**

For any information, the **Executive Engineer, KRRDA** may be contacted. Further tender details can be obtained from the Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Note: Any further corrigendum and addendum relating to the said tender notification will be published only in the KPP Portal.

Sd/- Tendering Officer and
Executive Engineer
KRRDA, Bengaluru.

DIPR/CP/5757/Adverto/2025-26

बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया Bank of India BOI
 # 623, 10th A Main, Near Hot Chips 4th Block, Jayanagar
BANGALORE - 560 011. Ph: 080 -22959483 / 84 / 86
E-Mail Id : jayanagar.bengaluru@bankofindia.co.in

Ref.: BOI/JAYA/25-26/7511-358 Date : 03.02.2026

NOTICE U/S 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002

To,
01. Mr. Chand Pasha (Borrower and Mortgagor)
No. 449/A, 14th Cross, 10th Main Road, Devaraj Urs Nagar,
Old Guddadahalli, Bangalore – 560026, Karnataka State.
02. Mrs.Shabeena Banu W/o. Chand Pasha (Co-Borrower)
No. 449/A, 14th Cross, 10th Main Road, Devaraj Urs Nagar,
Old Guddadahalli, Bangalore – 560026, Karnataka State
Business Address : H.K.G.N. Cloth Merchant, Mr. Chand Pasha
No. 05, 5th Cross, 6th Main, Padarayanapura, Bangalore - 560026.

Sir / Madam,

At the request made by you, the **Bank of India, Jayanagar Branch** has granted to you Home Loan facility aggregating to an amount of **Rs. 96,00,000/-** We give hereunder details of various credit facilities granted by us and the outstanding dues thereunder as on the date of this notice :-

Nature of Facility	Account Number	Sanctioned Limit	Outstanding dues
Star Home Loan	840575110000358	Rs. 96,00,000/-	**Rs. 92,40,407/- (Rupees Ninety Two Lakhs Forty Thousand Four Hundred Seven) (Contractual dues upto 03-02-2026)** with further interest thereon @ floating Interest rate of 8.20% p.a. from 03.02.2026 compounded with monthly rests

2. The aforesaid credit facilities granted by the Bank are secured by the following Assets / Securities (particulars of properties/assets charged to Bank) :-

All the piece and parcel of the Property bearing New Municipal No. 5 and 5/1A PID No. 43-123-5 and No. 43-123-5/1A, Previously Portion of Property bearing No. 5, Situated at 5th Cross, Padarayanapura, BBMP Old Ward No. 43, New Ward No. 135, Bangalore, Measuring : East to West : 71.00 feet and North to South : 60.00 feet, Totally Measuring 4260 Square Feet, with Ground, First and Second Floors Residential Building thereon, **owned by Mr. Chand Pasha and bounded on : East by :** Previously drain (Halla) now House Property. **West by :** Road, **North by :** Property belongs to Sri. Chikkavenkataramana, **South by :** Property belongs to Sri. Poojari Nanjappa.

3. As you have defaulted in repayment of your dues to the Bank, under the said Credit facilities, we have classified your account as **Non-Performing Asset** with effect **from 01-02-2026** in accordance with the directions / guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India.
4. For the reasons stated above, we hereby give you notice under Section 13(2) of the above noted Act and call upon you to discharge in full your liabilities by paying to the Bank a sum of **Rs. 92,40,407/- (Rupees Ninety Two Lakhs Forty Thousand Four Hundred Seven Only) (contractual dues up to 03-02-2026)** with further interest thereon @ floating Interest rate of **8.20% p.a. from 03.02.2026** compounded with monthly rests and all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank, till repayment by you within a period of 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which please note that we will entirely at your risks as to costs and consequences exercise the powers vested with the Bank under Section 13 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, against the secured assets mentioned above.
5. While we call upon you to discharge your liability as above by payment of the entire dues to the Banks together with applicable interest, all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank till repayment and redeem the secured assets, within the period mentioned above, please take important note that as per section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act, the right of redemption of secured assets will be available to you only till the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale of the secured assets.
6. The amounts realized from exercising the powers mentioned above, will firstly be applied in payments of all costs, charges and expenses which are incurred by us and/ or any expenses incidental thereto, and secondly in discharge of the Bank's dues as mentioned above with contractual interest from the date of this notice of actual realization and he residue of the money, if any, after the Bank's entire dues (including under any of your other dues to the Bank whether as borrower or guarantor) fully recovered, shall be paid to you.
7. If the said dues are not fully recovered from the proceeds realized in the course of exercise of the said powers against the secured assets, we reserve our right to proceed against you and your other Assets including by filing legal / recovery actions before Debts Recovery Tribunal / Courts for recovery of the balance amount due along with all costs etc. incidental thereto from you.
8. Please take note that as per Section (13) of the aforesaid Act, after receipt of this notice, you are restrained from transferring or creating any encumbrances on the aforesaid secured assets whether by way of sale, lease, license, gift mortgage or otherwise.
9. The undersigned is a duly Authorised Officer of the Bank to issue this notice and exercise powers under section 13 of the aforesaid Act.
10. Needless to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other right or remedy available to the Bank.

Date : 03.02.2026
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- For Bank of India,
Name : JAYANTHI NS
Chief Manager / Authorised Officer

TAMIL NADU MEDICAL SERVICES CORPORATION LTD.

(A Government of Tamilnadu Undertaking)

No. 417, Pantheon Road, Chennai-600 008. Phone: 044-2819 1890, 2819 0259; Fax: 044 -28190636

Tender Notice

Sl. No.	Online Tender no with qty./ Document Cost	Sale Period	Pre bid	Submission	Opening
1	E13965/Admn/2026, Dt:20.02.2026– Providing Manpower Services to various categories of Personnel to TNMSC for a period of Three years from the date of acceptance- Rs.5,725/-	20.02.2026 to 09.03.2026	26.02.2026 11.00 AM	10.03.2026 11.00 AM	10.03.2026 12.00 Noon

For details visit **www.tntenders.gov.in** and TNMSC website **www.tnmsc.tn.gov.in**

DIPR/1247/Tender/2026 GENERAL MANAGER (SERVICES)

ಹಾಸನ ಸಹಕಾರಿ ಹಾಲು ಉತ್ಪಾದಕರ ಸಂಘಗಳ ಒಕ್ಕೂಟ ನಿಯಮಿತ

ಕೈಗಾರಿಕ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ, ಬಿ.ಎಂ.ರಸ್ತೆ, ಹಾಸನ –573201, ಫೋನ್ ನಂ: 08172–240631

ಸಂ:ಹಾಸಹಾಒ/ಪ್ರವ್ಯ(ತಾಂ)/ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್/5285/2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 19–01–2026

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ (INVITATION FOR TENDER(IFT) (KPP- PORTAL)

ಹಾಸನ ಸಹಕಾರಿ ಹಾಲು ಒಕ್ಕೂಟದ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಗೆ ಒಳಪಡುವ ಹಾಸನ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಡೇರಿ, ಕೂಡಿಗೆ ಡೇರಿ ಮತ್ತು ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಶೀಥಲೀಕರಣ ಕೇಂದ್ರಗಳ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿರುವ ವಿವಿಧ ವಿಭಾಗಗಳ ಕೆಲಸ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸಲು ಮಾನವ ದಿನಗಳು/ತುಂಡು ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಆಧಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಕೌಶಲ್ಯ ಸಹಿತ ಮತ್ತು ಕೌಶಲ್ಯ ರಹಿತ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಕಾರ್ಮಿಕರ ಸೇವೆಯನ್ನು ದ್ವೈವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ಅವಧಿಗೆ ಒದಗಿಸಲು ಇಚ್ಛಿಸುವ ಕಾರ್ಮಿಕ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಇಂತಹ ಕೆಲಸಗಳನ್ನು ಕಹಾಮ ಅಥವಾ ಇತರೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ಒಕ್ಕೂಟ/ಘಟಕಗಳಲ್ಲಿ, ಉತ್ಪಾದನ ಕೈಗಾರಿಕೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ 03 ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಅನುಭವ ಹೊಂದಿರುವ ಹಾಗೂ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಅಂಗಡಿಗಳ ಮತ್ತು ವಾಣಿಜ್ಯ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳ ಕಾಯಿದೆ, 1961 ರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಿದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಪಡೆದ ಚಾಲ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿರುವ ನೊಂದಣಿ ಪರವಾನಗಿ/ಲೈಸೆನ್ಸ್, ಭವಿಷ್ಯ ನಿಧಿ (P.F.), ನೌಕರರ ರಾಜ್ಯ ವಿಮೆ (E.S.I.), ವೃತ್ತಿ ತೆರಿಗೆ ನೋಂದಣಿ ಮತ್ತು ಸೇವಾ ತೆರಿಗೆ ನೋಂದಣಿಯನ್ನು ಹಾಗೂ ಸೇವೆಗಳನ್ನು ನೀಡುವ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ನೋಂದಣಿಯೊಂದಿಗೆ IPCA ಸದಸ್ಯತ್ವ ಹೊಂದಿರುವ ಅರ್ಹ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿ/ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳಿಂದ ಕೆಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಭಾಗ–1 ಮತ್ತು ವಾಣಿಜ್ಯ ಭಾಗ–2 ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ವಿವರ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿದೆ.

1. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಕೆಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ನಿಂದ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 23–03–2026 ರ ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೂ ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಬಹುದು.
2. ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ್ನು ಕೆಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 24–03–2026 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಘಂಟೆಯೊಳಗೆ ಆನ್‌ಲೈನ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬೇಕು.
3. ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ದಾರರು ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತವನ್ನು ಕೆಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಗೊತ್ತುಪಡಿಸಿರುವ ನಾಲ್ಕು ವಿಧಾನಗಳೊಂದರಲ್ಲಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು.
4. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಭಾಗ–1 ನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 26–03–2026 ರಂದು ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 3.00 ಘಂಟೆಗೆ.

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಮತ್ತು ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ನಿಂದ ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು. ಸರ್ವರ್/ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿನ ಲೋಪದೋಷಗಳಿಗೆ ಹಾಗೂ ವಿಳಂಬ ಅಪಲೋಡ್/ಅಪೂರ್ಣ ಸಲ್ಲಿಕೆಗೆ ಹಾಸನ ಸಹಕಾರಿ ಹಾಲು ಒಕ್ಕೂಟವು ಜವಾಬ್ದಾರರಾಗಿರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು, ಹಾಸನ ಸಹಕಾರಿ ಹಾಲು ಒಕ್ಕೂಟ.ನಿ ರವರು ಯಾವುದೇ ಕಾರಣಗಳನ್ನು ನೀಡದೆ ಯಾವುದೇ/ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ರದ್ದುಗೊಳಿಸುವ ಅಧಿಕಾರವನ್ನು ಹೊಂದಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 08172–240631.

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ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು

District Child Protection Unit
Department of Women and Child Development

No: FB-O8 First Floor, New Zilladalitha bhavana, Shidlaghatta road, Chikkaballapura-562101

Landline:- 08I56-277113 E-mail:-dcpocbpur@gmail.com

No: DCPU/Cbpur/OS.E-T/2025-26 Date: 18.02.2026

" SHOTR TERM E-Tender Notification"

To strengthen the child protection services under the Karnataka State Child Protection Society (KSCPS), and as part of the implementation of various child-related schemes, it is proposed to appoint service providers for the Child Helpline – 1098, Special Adoption Agencies, Fit Facilities, Open Shelters, after-care homes and other child-protection-related units through an e-tender process. Therefore, for the selection of service providers to manage the Child Care Institutions under the Department of Women and Child Development and the District Child Protection Units, e-tenders are invited through the e-Procurement portal. Interested eligible organisations may apply. Terms, conditions and complete details are available in the e-Procurement website: **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**. **PARTICULARS: (1)** Start date for downloading the tender: **18.02.2026. (2)** Last date for uploading the tender documents: **17.03.2026, 5:30 PM (3)** Opening of Technical Bid:**05.03.2026, 11:00 AM (4)** Technical Bid Evaluation & Date: **20.03.2026, 12:00 PM (5)** Announcement of Technical Bid Results: **24.03.2026, 3:00 PM (6)** Opening of Financial Bid: **26.03.2026, 3:00 PM (7)** Announcement of Financial Bid Results: **27.03.2026, 3:00 PM (8)** Tender Document Fee: **Rs. 1.20 Cr (9)** Tender Reference No: **DCP/2025-26/SE0232. (1)** All tender-related documents must be downloaded from the e-Procurement portal. Applications submitted outside the portal will not be accepted. **(2)** For tender submission, visit the e-Procurement website: **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**. **(3)** For any technical issues related to submission, contact the support numbers mentioned on the e-procurement website. **(4)** Contact for more information: DCPU Phone: **08156-277113.**

Sd/- District Child Protection Officer
District Child Protection Unit,Chikkaballapur

DIPR/CHIKKABALLAPUR/R.O.No:445/KSMC&A/2025-26

PUBLIC NOTICE

This Notice is issued on behalf of our client **Techtheos Technologies Pvt Ltd** represented by its authorised signatory **Sri Swarag S.N** to bring it to the notice of general public that Original Letter of Intent executed on 19-03-2025 bearing Certificate No. IN-KA82074203406139X dated 17-03-2025 between Oak Haven spaces LLP and Techtheos Technologies Pvt Ltd which is lost. In this regard a complaint has also been lodged before Police through e-lost **Report bearing No. 2067395/2026 dated 17-02-2026.**

If any person/s, firm, institution or organization are holding the afore mentioned document or if they find it anywhere, they may contact the undersigned and handover the same.

Naveen Kumar, Advocate
Pragati Law Chambers
5/A, Bharat Apartments, #44/1, Fairfiled Layout, Race Course Road, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560001
Email: naveen@pragatilaw.in

Bengaluru Date : 19-02-2026

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TENDER NOTICE

CE/C-M/SC & CE/C-VI/SC Construction Organisation, S.C. Railway, Secunderabad, respectively, invites e-tender on behalf of the President of India for the following works:

S. No.: 1, **NIT No.:** 08-CAO-C-SC-2026 Date: 11/02/2026, **Name of work:** South Central Railway Construction Organization-Secunderabad Division -Proposed Doubling between Dornakal Junction-Bhadrachalam Road Section: Execution of Earth work in embankment, blanketing to RDSO standards, Construction/Extension of Minor bridges & Road Under Bridges (RUBs) and execution of other miscellaneous Civil works in connection with Doubling between Dornakal Junction-Karepalli stations from Km.35.420 to Km.47.50, **Details: Estimated Cost Rs.:** 44,67,53,963.99/- **EMD Rs.:** 23,83,800.00/- **Completion Period:** 12 (Twelve) Months.**Date of Opening:** 06/03/2026 15:00 hrs.

S. No.: 2, **NIT No.:** 10-CAO- C-SC-2026 Date: 12/02/2026, **Name of work:** SCR Construction Organization: Secunderabad Division - Proposed doubling of track between Dornakal Junction-Bhadrachalam Road Stations - Construction of RBG buildings, staff quarters, platforms, goompties, SP /SSPs, gate lodges, track machine staff rest room, tool room, foot-over-bridges, cover over platforms and other connected miscellaneous works in connection with doubling between Chimalpahad-Bhadrachalam Road stations from Km. 35.420 to Km.47.500, **Details: Estimated Cost Rs.:** 31,99,86,163.41/- **EMD Rs.:** 17,49,900.00/- **Completion Period:** 12 (Twelve) Months.,**Date of Opening:** 10/03/2026 15:00 hrs.

S. No.: 3, **NIT No.:** EPC 03-CAO-C-SC-2026 Date: 18/02/2026, **Name of work:** SCR Construction Organization: Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) contract for "Doubling works from Perur station to Gadwal station including Electrification & Signaling works and provision of 2x25 kV SSP at Manyamkonda in connection with doubling of Mahabubnagar - Dhone section in the state of Telangana" in Mahabubnagar and Dhone section in Hyderabad Division of South-Central Railway-Reg, **Details: Estimated Cost Rs.:** 427,13,80,643.05/- **EMD Rs.:** 2,00,00,000.00/- **Completion Period:** 24 (Twenty Four) Months., **Date of Opening:** 23/04/2026 15:00 hrs.

i) For bid document and other details, please login to website **https://ireps.gov.in.**
ii) Tenderers can submit their offers online during tender submission period which is the Fifteen days period prior to closing of tender.
iii) Tenders should watch for any corrigenda (issued online only) up to the date of commencement of the tender submission period.

Chief Administration Officer/ Const./Secunderabad
A2524

For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at https://www.ireps.gov.in or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

CAUTION NOTICE

Under instructions from and on behalf of my client, **Mr. MUBARAK PASHA,** S/o. Mr. Syed Sharif, aged about 40 years, residing at No. 347, 1st Main, 3rd Cross, Bhavaninagar, BSK 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560070, the general public is hereby informed as follows: My client represents that he has entered into an Agreement of Sale dated 12.11.2025 with Mr. Raju. N, in respect of the Schedule Property described herein below. The said Agreement of Sale is valid, subsisting, and binding on the parties thereto as on date.

In view of the above, the general public, financial institutions, developers, agents, and all other persons are hereby cautioned not to purchase, acquire, encumber, alienate, lease, mortgage, enter into any agreement, or otherwise deal with the Schedule Property or any portion thereof in any manner whatsoever with any person other than my client. Any person dealing with the Schedule Property in contravention of the aforesaid Agreement of Sale shall be doing so at their own risk, cost, and consequences, and my client shall not be bound by any such transaction and shall be entitled to enforce his rights in accordance with law.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No.4, in Sy. No.156, V.P. Katha No.950, Property No.246, New BBMP Katha No.950/246, PID No.1080/950/246, situated at Kothanur Village, Harinagar, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now within the limits of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore, together with the building thereon consisting of Ground, First and Second Floor with vitrified flooring, doors and windows fitted with Honne wood, brick and cement constructed walls, along with all rights, easements and appurtenances thereto, and measuring : East to West : 30.00 feet, North to South : 50.00 feet Total measuring: 1500 square feet Bounded on: **East by:** Site No. 5, **West by:** Site No. 3, **North by:** Vacant Property, **South by:** Road

A. FEROZE NIZAM, Advocate
No.113, 1st Floor, 34th Cross, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560070.
Mobile: 98860 33332
Email: ferozenizam@gmail.com
Date : 19.02.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the general public that an alleged sale agreement dated 29/09/2023, registered as document No.VRT-1-07663-2023-24 purportedly executed in favour of **Sri. SANJEEV S** S/o Late Sanjeevappa, R/at No.665, SBI Bank Road, Near Dharmarayaswamy Temple, Ramagondanahalli, Whitefield Post, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore - 560066 and **Sri. V MARAPPA,** S/o Venkataramanaswamy Temple, R/o M M Floritech and Nursery, Kenchamaranahalli, Sy No.70/6, Varthur Main Road, Gunjur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru - 560087 in respect of the Schedule Property described hereunder, was obtained by playing fraud, misrepresentation, and suppression of material facts upon my client **Mrs Vasanthamma** D/o Muniswamy, W/o Mahadev, R/at No 453, Near Venkataramanaswamy Temple, Ramagondanahalli Whitefield Post, Bangalore East Taluk.

The my client Smt. Vasanthamma hereby states that the said Agreement of Sale is illegal, voidable, and not binding, and the same has been **terminated and revoked** by issuing a legal notice dated 03/02/2026, which as been received by the said persons on 06/02/2026.

Accordingly, the said Agreement of Sale shall not confer any right, title, interest, possession, charge, lien, or claim of any nature whatsoever over the Schedule Property.

The general public, banks, financial institutions, and prospective purchasers are hereby cautioned not to enter into any transaction with the said persons in respect of the Schedule Property. Any such transaction, if entered into, shall be at their own risk, cost, and consequences.

If any person has any claim or objection in respect of the Schedule Property based on the above said Agreement of Sale, they may notify the undersigned within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which it shall be presumed that no such claim exists.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of residential vacant site bearing No.4, Portion of BBMP Katha No 988/45/1/629, carved out of residentially converted land bearing Sy.No. 45/1, measuring 0-16.08 Guntas, (converted vide official memorandum bearing No. ALN/EVH(Circle)SR/81/2016-17, dated 21/04/2017, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) situated at Ramagondanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, presently within the administrative jurisdiction of BBMP, measuring East to West on the Northern side 40 feet 11 inches, on the Southern side 41 feet 3 inches and North to South 30 feet, totally measuring 1225 sq feet bounded on :- East by : Property of Sy.No. 45/2, West by : 25 Feet wide Road, North by : Site No. 3, South by : Site No. 5.

Mr. RADESH K, Advocate,
MKM Legal Solutions Pvt Limited,
Registered office at: 3rd Floor, SMN Complex, Opp. DSR Apex, Whitefield Main Road, Thubarahalli, Bangalore - 560066.
Mobile : 9008242426

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1. DEVELOPMENT OF OVERBURYS BRIDGE and PLAZA TO VIEW THE HISTORICAL THALASSERY SEA PIER (Tender Id: 2026_KIIDC_836320_1),
2. KIIFB-Coastal protection- Kollamcode- General Civil Work (Tender id: 2026_KIIDC_837853_1)
3. KIIFB-Community Micro Irrigation-Providing Community Micro Irrigation at the bank of Chinnar River In Idukki District-General Civil Work (Tender ID: 2026_KIIDC_837973_1)

Details are available in www.etenders.kerala.gov.in and www.kiidc.kerala.gov.in .

Managing Director

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform to the general public that my client Sri.Raghavendra J S/o Late Javare Gowda has lost or misplaced the following documents:-

[1]The Agreement to Sale dated 12-01-1987 executed by the KIADB in favor of M/s meco Lamps R/by its Proprietor L. Chandrakumar, registered as a document No.1365/1986-87, Book-1, Volume No.740, pages No.192 to 196, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Mysore.

[2] Possession Certificate dated 01-01-1987 issued by the KIADB.

[3] The Sale Deed dated 15-12-2006 executed by KIADB in favor of M/s meco Hylem Plates R/by its Proprietor L.Chandrakumar, registered as a document No.MYN-1-24884/2006-07, stored in CD No.MYND125, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Mysore North.

[4] The Sale Deed dated 12-10-2007 executed by M/s meco Hylem Plates R/by its Proprietor L.Chandrakumar in favor of Smt. Jayamma W/o Late Javaregowda, registered as a document No.MYN-1-10797/2007-08, stored in CD No.MYND154, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Mysore North.

The above documents are not able to trace despite of his best efforts and he has lodged the police complaint to that effect on 18-02-2026.Hence, this is to inform to the general public that, if any person or persons were come into the possession of the above documents, the same may kindly be forwarded to the undersigned advocate whose name and address is mentioned below, the finder will be suitably rewarded by the owner of the property.

Pradeep B.V, Advocate
No. 114 & 115, 'Bindu Galaxy' #2, 1st Main Road, Rajajinagara Industrial Town,Bengaluru-560010.
Mobile:-94817-78692'

IN THE COURT OF THE XV HON'BLE CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH- 03)
P & SC No. 87/2026

BETWEEN: 1. Mrs. Nancy Nivedha Baby. D, W/o. Late Stephen K. S, aged about 28 years. **2. Senorita twinkel. S,** D/o. Late Stephen K. S, aged about 6 years, Represented by her Natural Guardian, Ms.Nancy Nivedha Baby .D - Mother W/o. Late Stephen K. S, Both Petitioner No. 1 and 2 are residing at : Flat No. T1, Govianu Ace Grande, Narasimha Layout, Yeshwanthapura, Bengaluru-560022 ... **PETITIONERS**

AND: Shadrach . A S/o. late Aruldass, aged about 69 years, R/at: Flat G. 7. Govianu Ace Grand Apartment, Digital park Road, Narasimha Layout, Yeshwanthapur Bengaluru-560 022 ... **RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Take notice that the petitioners above named had filed the above case against the above named respondent seeking for an order of grant of Succession Certificate to succeed the estates of her deceased husband Late Stephen K. S. died on 10/02/2023, through her Advocate.

V. Chandrakanthan, Bengaluru. The petitioner No.2 is the daughter of the petitioner No. 1. The respondent is the father-in-law of the petitioner No.1 and the father of the deceased Stephen K. S. The case is further posted to **24/03/2026** before the City Civil Court Hall (CCH-03), Bengaluru, for objections of any of the public. Those persons who are interested in contesting the same can file their objections on (or) before 11.00 A. M. in the Court Hall (CCH No.03), Bengaluru, through themselves (or) through a pleader or an Advocate and file their objections if any, and contest the same failing in which the matter will be treated as exparte and will be decided in accordance with law.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Debts (Loan Due Amount) due a sum of Rs.76,60,967/- (Rupees Seventy-six lakhs sixty-thousand and nine hundred sixty-seven only), payable by the petitioner No.1 to the Anandrathi Global finance for the purchased property.

Note: To declare that the petitioner No.1 is the legally wedded wife of late Stephen K. S, S/o. Shadrach . A.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 17-02-2026

By order of the court, Senior Sheristedar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

V. CHANDRAKANTHAN, Advocate
No. 13, 4th Cross, New Korchipalya, Shivaji Road Cross, Shivajinagar, Bengaluru-560051. Mob: 9845920404.

FOOD SAFETY AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

Office of the Principal Scientific Officer, Regional Drugs Testing Laboratory, KIADB Industrial Area, 2nd Stage, Rayapur, Hubballi-580009.

No.: FDA/RDTL/e-Tender/TIA/PP-03/2025-26 Date: 19.02.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION-Call 2

(Through KPP Portal only) (One Cover System)

Short term re-tender is invited for the supply of HPLC columns to the Drugs Testing Laboratory, Bengaluru, and the Regional Drugs Testing Laboratories at Hubballi and Ballari **Call–2.**
Tender No: FSDA/2025-26/IND0008.
Further details can be obtained from Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- The Chairman,
Tender Inviting Authority,
Principal Scientific Officer (I/C)

DIPR/CP/JA/5758/2025-26

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE SHARE CERTIFICATE(S) Nos.

Sl. No.	Folio No.	Certificate No.	Distinctive No. From	Distinctive No. To	No of Shares
1.	D74032	152819	8932279	8932329	51
2.	D74032	153218	8958481	8958734	254
3.	D74032	397819	583048415	583049024	610

OF M/S LARSEN AND TOUBRO LIMITED IN THE NAME OF SRI.VAILSHERY D.S.D S/O HENRY CHRISTANANDA JAYASHALI VAILSHERY

Have been reported to be lost and that an application for issue of Duplicate Certificates in respect thereof has been made to the **M/s Larsen and Toubro limited,** L&T House, N.M.MARG, Ballard Estate, Mumbai -600001 to whom objection, if any, against issuance of such Duplicate Share Certificates should be made within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice.

The public are cautioned against Dealing in any manner with these shares.

SURESH SUBBAIAH. ADVOCATE
#14/3, 3rd Floor, Mission Road, Bangalore -560 027 Ph: 9845521965

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

(Ballari Thermal Power Station)
CIN: U85110KA1970SGC001919

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

(Through KPP Portal Only)

Tenders are invited in two cover system through KPP portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** for the procurement of following materials. **1) KPCL/2025-26/IND2413 dtd:16.02.2026**: Chemical Laboratory Items. **2) KPCL/2025-26/IND2414 dtd: 16.02.2026**: Metter Analytical Balance. **3) KPCL/2025-26/IND2204/Call-3 dtd:16.02.2026**: Electrical Measuring Instruments. **4) KPCL/2025-26/IND2185/Call-2 dtd: 16.02.2026**: Spares for Marathon make HT Motors. **5) KPCL/2025-26/IND2430 dtd:16.02.2026**: Conveyor Belt. Last date for receipt of tenders *(for Sl. No. 1 & 2)*: **03.03.2026.** *(for Sl. No. 3 & 4)*: **05.03.2026**. *(for Sl. No. 5)*: **16.03.2026.** Further details can be had from the office of the Executive Engineer(Purchase), BTPS, KPCL, Kudathini- 583152, Ballari Dist. Mobile: 9480830377, e-mail : eepurchasebtps@gmail.com

6) KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_INDENT3919 dtd:14.02.2026: Providing and Installation/Replacement of assembly of SS Casing, SS Side Covers and SS Cones for Vacuum Pumps of KAKATI make (Model KVM 600, Capacity : 3300 Cu M) for Unit 2 Ash Handling Plant, BTPS. Total Tender Amount: **Rs. 20,51,111/-** Last date for receipt of tenders: **23.02.2026 upto 17.00 Hrs.** Further details can be had from the office of the Executive Engineer(AHP)-1, BTPS, KPCL, Kudathini- 583152, Ballari Dist. Mobile: 9448290768.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

General public are informed that my client **SMT. S. SUMITHRA,** aged about 75 years, W/o Sri. C. S. Subbarayan, is the absolute owner of the property bearing **Flat No. WC-005, Block No.WC,** having **PID No. 150200401700520523, Khata Serial No. 624/005 WC,** situated on **Shanti in Segment III, Ground Floor,** of **"SAI GARDENS"** and apartment measuring **775 Sq. Feet** area, together with an undivided right, title, and interest of undivided share equivalent to **620 Sq.Ft or 57.64 Sq. Mtrs,** situated at Seegehalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, acquired the same under registered Sale Deed dated 09.07.2014, registered as document **No.BDH-1-01072-2014-15** stored in **CD No.BDHD109** registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bidarahalli, Bangalore.

She has lost the, Original Sale Deed dated 09.07.2014, registered as document **No.BDH-1-01072-2014-15** stored in **CD No.BDHD109** registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bidarahalli, Bangalore, when she had taken the said original documents for Photostats/Xerox the above said original Sale Deeds. She has lodged police complaint dated 18.02.2026, vide complaint No. 2069687/2026, for the same. If any person found the said documents same may be intimated me and suitable award will be rewarded.

HARISHA. S, Advocate
No.84, Sriram Arcade, Seegehalli, Bangalore-560067. Ph: 9731019876

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client **Smt. Mutyala Anusha,** W/o SHIVA B, residing at NO:FLAT NO. 108, PREMIER SOLITUDE APRTMENT, NAGAWARA, Bangalore intends to purchase the **SCHEDULE PROPERTY** from its owner **SRI.GUNDALAGUTTA PRADEEP REDDY,** S/o. G JANARDHAN REDDY, Residing at No. 2-282-2-3, P & T Colony, Chittor Dist, Andhra Pradesh. She having acquired the same by way of **SALE DEED ON** dated 14.02.2011.

It has been informed by my clients Vendor that she lost original **DEED OF CONFIRMATION** registered as Document No:1178/2017-18, dated 20.07.2017 pertaining to the below mentioned **SCHEDULE PROPERTY.**

If anyone having Claim right over the **SCHEDULE PROPERTY** may intimate the same to the undersigned within 07 Days failing which it will be deemed that nobody else has claim over the property and my client shall proceed with the said sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the vacant site bearing **BDA No. 417,** EPID No. 1256182192, situated at Nagawara Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, comprised in and forming part of survey Nos. 24/5, 24/6,24/7A, 24/7B, 24/8, 25, 26/1,26/2, 26/38, 33/1, 34/1,34/2, 35/1, 35/3 to 9,37/2, 37/3, 37/16, 38/1, 48/18, 49/3, 50/4, 51/2, 52/1, 76/3A,76/38, 77/3to 7, 78/2, 78/6, 79, 81/1, 85/8, 86, 87/1, 87/2A, 87/28, 87/2C, 87/2D, 87/3,87/4, and 88/5 approved by the Bangalore Development Authority vide its resolution bearing No. 156/2003, dated 12/9/2003 and work order bearing No BDA/TPM/PL-32/1685/03-04, dated 30.09.2003 and measuring East to West (70+67.50)/2 ft.(21.33+20.57)/2 mtr.) and North to South 40ft. (12.19mtr.) in all totally measuring 2750 sq.ft. [255.38 sq.mtrs.]AND BOUNDED ON: East By:Site No.410 & 411West By:Road, North By:Site No:418South By:Site No:416

B.B.SUDHIR, Advocate.
No:334, 09th Main, 14th Cross, Indiranagar, BANGALORE-560038 Mob:98450 22593

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
EXTRA-ORDINARY APPELLATE JURISDICTION
SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL) No. 145 OF 2025
WITH PRAYER FOR INTERIM RELIEF

MANU AND ANOTHER ...Petitioner(s)
VERSUS T.JAYAPRAKASH AND OTHERS ...Respondent(s)

To, **1. B. BHAGYA** D/O M. BASAVARAJU, RESIDENTS OF MAHADEVAKODIGEHALLI VILLAGE, JALA HOBLI, BANGALORE NORTH TALUK, BENGALURU URBAN DISTRICT, BENGALURU-562 149, DISTRICT-BANGALORE, KARNATAKA

PID : 40303/2026 FOR R[12] IN SLP (C) NO.145/2025 (SEC IV-A)

2. D.N.BOJE GOWDA D/O LATE NANJAPPA GOWDA, RESIDENTS OF DAMMANINGALA VILLAGE, SHARAVANABELAGULA HOBLI, CHENNARAYAPATNA TALUK, HASSAN DISTRICT-573 116, DISTRICT-HASSAN, KARNATAKA

PID: 40304/2026 FOR R[18] IN SLP(C) NO.145/2025 (SEC IV-A)

3 LALITHA B GOWDA W/O D.N.BHOJEGOWDA, RESIDENTS OF DAMMANINGALA VILLAGE, SHARAVANABELAGULA HOBLI, CHENNARA YAPATNA TALUK, HASSAN DISTRICT -573 116, DISTRICT-HASSAN, KARNATAKA

PID : 40305/2026 FOR R[19] IN SLP(C) NO.145/2025 (SEC IV-A)

WHEREAS the Petition for Special Leave to Appeal with prayer for interim relief filed in the Registry by Mr. SUDHANSHU PRAKASH, Advocate on behalf of the Petitioner(s) above named was listed for hearing before this Court on **03rd March, 2025,** when the Court was pleased to pass the following order:-

"Issue notice, returnable on 01.04.2025."

AND WHEREAS, the matter above-mentioned with prayer for interim relief along. with application for APPLICATION UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 CPC FOR EFFECTING SERVICE THROUGH PUBLICATION, APPLICATION FOR SUBSTITUTION, ADDITION/DELETION / MODIFICATION PARTIES was listed before Hon'ble Court on 02nd February, 2026, When the following order was passed:-

"As service of notice through conventional modes has failed, the petitioners (applicants in I.A. No. 33118/2026) are permitted to effect service of notice upon respondent Nos. 12, 18 and 19 by publishing the notice in newspapers, viz. The New Indian Express (English language) and Kannada Prabha (vernacular), having circulation in Bengaluru. The published notices shall be in English language and Kannada language respectively.

For filing proof of such service, list I.A. No. 33118/2026 before the Registrar's Court after four weeks.

As the legal representatives of deceased respondent No. 16, on the one hand, and respondent No. 4, on the other, were already on record, the estate of the deceased respondents was represented and there is no necessity to file separate applications for condonation of delay in setting aside abatement and for setting aside the abatement. I.A. Nos. 33287/2026 and 33288/2026 are, accordingly, ordered, bringing the legal representatives of deceased respondent Nos. 16 and 4, respectively, on record.

Amended memo of parties shall be filed within two weeks. Notice may be issued to newly impleaded legal representatives.

List before the Court immediately upon completion of service by publication, in terms of I.A. No. 33118/2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, TAKE NOTICE that the above petition will be posted for hearing before this Court in due course and you may enter appearance before this Court either in person or through an advocate on record of this Court duly appointed by you in that behalf within 30 days from the date of service of notice. You may thereafter show cause to the Court on the day that may subsequently be specified as to why Special Leave Petition and interim relief as prayed be not granted and the resultant appeal be not allowed.

Take Further Notice that the prayer for interim relief after notice will also be listed before the Court in due course.

You may file your affidavit in opposition to the petition as provided under Rule 14(1) of Order XXI, S.C.R.2013 within 30 days from the date of receipt of notice or not later than 2 weeks before the date appointed for hearing, whichever be earlier, but shall do so only by setting out the grounds in opposition to the questions of law or grounds set out in the SLPs and may produce such pleadings and documents filed before the Court/Tribunal against whose order the SLP is filed and shall also set out the grounds for not granting interim order or for vacating interim order if already granted.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if you fail to enter appearance as aforesaid, no further notice shall be given to you even after the grant of special leave for hearing of the resultant appeal and the matter above mentioned shall be disposed of in your absence.

Dated : **10th February, 2026**

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

Copy to :- 1 Mr. Sudhanshu Prakash (adv.)
2 Mr. R. Ilam Paridi (adv.)
*Counsel for Petitioner is required to file Proof of Paper Publication alongwith Affidavit.

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

Important Notice
LEGAL AID

(1) Legal Services of an advocate is provided by the Supreme Court Legal Services Committee and the Supreme Court Middle Income Group Legal Aid Society to eligible litigants.

For further information, please contact the Secretary, Supreme Court Legal Services Committee or the Member Secretary, Supreme Court Middle Income Group Legal Aid Society, 107-108, Lawyers' Chambers, R.K. Jain Block Near Post Office, Supreme Court Compound, Tilak Marg, New Delhi-110001 (Tel Nos. 011-23116353, 23116354 (Additional Building Complex) and 011-23381257 (Front Office)

MEDIATION

(2) The facility of amicable settlement of disputes by trained mediators in cases pending in the Supreme Court is now available in the Supreme Court.

For further information, please contact the Coordinator, Supreme Court Mediation Centre, 109, Lawyers' Chambers, R.K. Jain Block Near Post Office, Supreme Court Compound, Tilak Marg, New Delhi-110001 (Tel No. 011-23071432)

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my clients Mr. Somasundaram S/o. Late T.S. Muthusamy and Mrs. Suganthi S W/o. Mr. Somasundaram are the absolute owners of the Property bearing BDA Site No. 186, in Sy. No. 11, Srinivagilu Amanikere Village, Beguru Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk,; measuring East to West: (41.3+41.3)/2 feet and North to South: 30 feet,; and bounded on the East by: Road, West by: Site Nos. 177 & 178, North by: Plot No. 187 and South by: Plot No. 185. While renovating their house, my clients have lost the Original Sale Deed dated 10/11/2004, Doc No. BAS-1-20272/2004-05, C.D. No. BASD110, Book-1, SRO, Bangalore South, pertaining to the said property

In the event any person having the above said original documents, kindly handover the same to the below mentioned address within 07 days of the publication of this notice. The general public are informed not to act on the basis of the said original documents.

SOMASHEKHARA A.N, Advocate
No. 105, 3rd Floor, MR Mansion, 12th 'D' Main Road, Muthyalanagar, Bengaluru - 560 054.

IN THE COURT OF THE 1ST ADDIL DIST. & SESSIONS JUDGE, BANGALORE RURAL DIST. AT BANGALORE
L.A.C. No. 58/2019

Petitioner/s :
Sri. M. Hanumanthrayappa & ors.
V/S
Respondent/s : The S.L.A.O., KHB, Karnataka Housing Board, Cauavery Bavana, K.G. Road, Bangalore-560009.

SUMMONS TO CLAIMANT No. 3
R.3. SMT. MUNIHANUMAKKA,
D/o. Gangamuniyappa, Aged about 58 years, R/at: Machonayakanahalli-Village, Kasaba-Hobli, Nelamangala-Taluk, Bangalore Rural Dist. Pin:562123.

The Respondent/KHB has made to refer the land acquisition case to this Hon'ble Court U/S 77(2) of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act-2013 (RFCTLARR New Act-2013) acquiring the land in Sy.No. 6/2 measuring 0-22 guntas, situated at Machonayakanahalli-Village, Kasaba-Hobli, Nelamangala-Tq, Bangalore Rural Dist. Vide Govt.Notification No: RD:209 Bhu.Swa. Be-2012, Dated: 8/11/2012. & award amount of Rs. 37,78,424/- has been deposited before this Hon'ble Court. You are hereby informed to appear before this Court, **on 28.03.2026 at 11.00 a.m.** in person or through advocate to answer the questions to the same. Failing which the LAC petition will be heard and determined as ex-parte.

Given under my hand & seal of the Court, this 17th day of February 2026.

By order of the Court,
Chief Administrative Officer,
District & Sessions Court, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore-560009.

Advocate for Respondent / KHB
K.R. MANJUNATHA, Advocate
No. 7, "SHIVASRI NILAYA", Basaveswara Layout, Nagashettyhalli Main Road, RMV Post, Bengaluru - 560 094.
Mob. : 9916222468 / 7899389110
Email : krmanjunatha61@gmail.com

IN THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -II, KARNATAKA

4th Floor, BSNL Building, Telephone House ,Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore -560 001

O.A. No.1225/2021

Between: State Bank of India ...Applicant
And
Mr. Aravinda Reddy V & Others ...Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993, TO THE DEFENDANT

WHEREAS, the Applicant has instituted an Application under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 against you for recovery of a sum of **Rs.55,84,392/-** (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Eighty Four Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety two only) from the defendants with interest as on 27.07.2021 together with current and future interest and other reliefs. You are hereby required to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or **on 20.03.2026 at 10.30 a.m.**, in person or by a Pleader/ Advocate duly instructed as to why the reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default, the Application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this **18.02.2026**

Sd/- Registrar (DRT II)
Authorised to Issue Summons

The Defendant/s
1. Mr. Aravinda Reddy V., S/o. Mr. Ramanjaneyulu Reddy V., No. 80, 3rd B Cross, Ramaiah Layout, Laggere, Opp R. V. School, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bangalore - 560 058.
2. M/s. Nature HP Infra Pvt ., Ltd., No. 27, 2nd Floor, Mallige Complex, KSRTC Layout, Subramanyapura, Bangalore - 560 061.

PUBLIC NOTICE

By way of this notice, is hereby notifying the General Public Banks/NBFC/money lenders/public–private institutions/ any legal person/s all that, our client **Sri. A. AnandaKumar** Aged about 46 years, S/o R.AshwathReddy, R/at. No.36,1st main,5th Cross,Suncity Layout, Behind VVPS School, Singanayakanahalli, Yelahanka Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore North -560 064 **is** willing to purchase the following schedule properties from **Smt.E.Umamaheshwari,** Aged about 65 Years, w/o N.Mahesh R/at No1995,7th Main,Rajajinagar,2nd stage, Bangalore-560010 through **Sale deed** , in this regard all the legal formalities are at the conclusion stage. If any person/s third party/s has any type of objections/claims/liabilities, attachments, agreements or any manner of right, title or interest over the Schedule Properties may lodge their objections/claims, with all supporting documents/evidence to the under singed Advocate within 7 (Seven) days from the date of this publication. Failing which our clients shall proceed with the sale transaction to purchase the Schedule Properties from said **Smt.E.Umamaheshwari,** and any right that may arise later will not be entertained, as treating that there are no objections/claims and it shall not be binding on our clients.

A SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing New **Sy.No. 27/4 (old Sy.No. 27/2)** Measuring 19 Guntas Situated at Aradeshanahalli Village, Kunadana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural district together with all rights, appurtenance, whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface, and bounded on the: **East by :** Land belongs to Chikkahanumaiah, **West by :** Land belongs to Appayanna, **North by :** Land belongs to Ravi, **South by :** Land Belongs to E.Umameshwari

B- SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing New **Sy.No. 27/5 (old Sy.No. 27/2)** Measuring 38 Guntas Situated at Aradeshanahalli Village, Kunadana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural district together with all rights, appurtenance, whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface, and bounded on the: **East by :** Land belongs to Chikkahanumaiah **West by :** Land belongs to Appayanna, **North by :** Land belongs to E.Umameshwari, **South by :** Chikkanna's son in laws Land

C- SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing New **Sy.No. 38/4 (old Sy.No. 38/2)** Measuring 20 Guntas Situated at Aradeshanahalli Village, Kunadana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural district together with all rights, appurtenance, whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface, and bounded on the: **East by :** Road and land belongs to Puttahanumappa and Doddagangappa, **West by :** Land belongs to E.Umamaheshwari, **North by :** Land belongs to Yellappa, **South by :** Land Belongs to Manjunath Reddy

Sri. Raghu. K.S. Advocates
Office: 492, K.N. Complex, 4th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003.
Mobile : 9845728672

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the General Public that my client **Smt. B. S. Vimala,** W/o N. Narasimhaiah, Aged 73 years, R/at No. 205/6, 11th Main, Varsharuthu Road, Opp. Dasapa choultry , Gavipuram, Ward No. 52, Bangalore City-560019, has lost/misplaced Original **Cancellation of Gift Deed dated 05/02/2009, executed by Smt. Ramya, wife of Shri. Ramakrishna in favour of Smt. B. S. Vimala, represented by GPA Holder Shri. N. Narasimaiah, son of Late Narasimhaiah, registered vide Document No. BSG-1-02307/2008-09 of Book-1, Stored in CD No. BSGD116, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Basvangudi** pertaining to the property bearing Municipal No. 205/6, Situated at Gavipuram, Ward No. 52, Bangalore City, measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South (Eastern Side 27 feet) and (Western Side 35 feet). Inspite of best efforts she could not trace the above original documents and in this regard she has reported the loss of original document to Bengaluru City Police vide Lost report No.2071720/2026 on 19.02.2026.

Finders of the said original documents are requested to hand over the same to undersigned and if any persons having any objections or claims in respect of the said document may with documentary evidence lodge their objections or claims within 7 days from the date of this notice to the undersigned, failing which it will be presumed that there are no claims and objections. Site No. 1011, North by: Road, and South by : Site No. 991.

Shri. Naveen Kumar G, Advocate,
M/s. Adwaya Associates, No. 41/1, 2nd floor, 2nd Main, 3rd Cross, Bazar Street, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560 018.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I hereby notifying general public and financial institutions that my clients **1. Sri. ABHIJITH SINGH and 2. Sri. LALTU ADAK** have negotiated to purchase the schedule property from **Sri. B.D. MANOHAR** Son of Late Dhondusa, his family members, financial institutions and the general public are hereby notified that if anybody has any objections, claims, charges, lien etc., if any in respect of the schedule property may lodge their objections with documentary proof relied upon with the undersigned within FIVE (5) days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which, my clients proceeds to complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of the immovable Residential House property bearing **Old No.26, New No.26/2, having PID No.47-123-26/2, having E-PID No.9723307187,** situated at Old Chamrajpet, 29th Cross, Cubbonpet, Bengaluru, Presently comes under the limits of BBMP Ward No.119-Dharmaraya Swamy Temple Ward, Bangalore - 560002, measuring **East to West 15.10 Feet** and **North to South 10.9 Feet and East to West 10 feet and North to South 2.9 feet and** adjacent portion on the **Eastern Side measuring East to West 6.9 feet and North to South 8 feet** in all totally admeasuring **500 Sq. Feet or 23.26 sq meters** together with house building having 250 sq feet of built up area in Ground Floor, 250 sq feet of built up area in First Floor, 200 sq feet of built up area in Second Floor and 100 sq feet of built up area in Third Floor with Red-Oxide Flooring, Doors and Windows made of Jungle Wood and Steel, with all basic amenities and bounded on;

East by : S. Saroja's Property & Common Passage; West by : House belongs to Balakrishna; North by : Property belongs to Arjunsa; South by : Property belongs to Vishnusa.

VENU GOPAL. L, Advocate,
No.8, 13th Cross, Cubbonpet, Bengaluru - 560 002.
Bengaluru Dated: 19.02.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform all and whomsoever it may concern that my client is intending to purchase the schedule properties from its present Owners **Sri Prasad Srinivasa & Smt. Suma Prasad.** The present owners inform that they are not having the copy of GPA executed by Sri H Paparaj & Sri H Shantaraj in favour of Sri Suresh Bhagat & Sri V R Madan Gopal in respect of the larger property.

If any other person/s / authority/ies has/have any manner of right, title, interest, demand, claim, charge or lien over the schedule properties, they are hereby requested to file their objections to the Sale transaction & mortgage of the same to the Banks / financial institutions and shall inform/object the same in writing along with the photocopies of the documents relied for such claim/objections, through the Speed Post with acknowled gement due to the undersigned within 10 days from the date of publication of this notice.

If no valid claim/objection is received by the undersigned as aforesaid, my client shall proceed to purchase the schedule properties & mortgage the same to the Banks / Financial Institutions deeming that no one else has/have any manner of right or claim or interest whatsoever over the schedule properties.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece & parcel of the properties bearing(1)Site No.58 (Property No.209/142/ 58) (E Swathu No.1503002012 01500913), measuring East to West 60 ft. and North to South 40 ft., totally measuring 2400 sq. ft. & (2) Site No.59 (Property No.209/142/59) (ESwathu No.1503002012 01500912), measuring East to West 60 ft. and North to South 40 ft., totally measuring 2400 sq. ft, both formed in converted Sy.No.88 vide Order No.ALN.SR(D)51/2004-05,Dated12.10. 2004 issued by the Asst. Commissioner, Doddaballapur Sub Division,situated at Hegganahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devana halli Taluk,Bengaluru Rural District and bounded on the Site No.58 **East by**: Road ; **West by**: 15 ft. Pathway; **North By**:Site No.59 **South By** : Site No.57 Site No.59 **East by**: Road ; **West by:** 15 ft. Pathway; **North By:** Site

Advocate Address, **Raghavendra P Hogade**
Advocate No.186/8, Abhishek Complex, Sirur Park Road, Seshadripuram
Bengaluru – 560 020

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that our clients have negotiated with **Mrs. KALA RAVI,** W/o Mr. Ravi S Krishna, aged about 64 years, residing at Flat No.102, No. 120, Arista Apartment, 3rd Main Road, Behind Coffee day, 100 Feet Road, Defence Colony, Indiranagar, Bengaluru-560038 to purchase the Schedule B Property for valuable consideration. It is represented to our client that **Mrs. KALA RAVI,** W/o Mr. Ravi S Krishna, is the absolute owner of the Schedule B Property and she has acquired the Schedule B Property under the Gift Deed dated 8th August 2013, registered as Document No.SHV-1-01486-2013-14, stored in CD No. SHVD167, with the office of the Sub-Registrar, Shivajinaga, Bengaluru executed by her husband Mr. Ravi S Krishna. Any person(s) claiming any right, title or interest of whatsoever nature over the Schedule B Property is called upon to lodge such claim with the undersigned, with supporting documents within 7 days from the date of this publication. In the event no such claim(s) is received within the stipulated time, it shall be lawful for our client to presume that there are no valid claim(s) adverse to **Mrs. KALA RAVI**'s right, title and interest in the Schedule B Property and proceeds with the proposed sale transaction.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site No.143, Corporation No.143, situated at Defence Colony (earlier Binnamangala Layout), HAL II Stage, BBMP Old Ward No.67, New Ward No.80, Bangalore, measuring East to West 80 feet and North to South 100 feet, comprising an area of 8000 square feet and bonded on: East by: Property bearing No.142, West by : Property bearing No.144, North by : Property bearing No.112 and South by : Road.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY

All the piece & parcel of the Residential **Three Bedroom** Apartment/Flat bearing No.**F-1**, Property No. **297/143/2,** BBMP E-PID No.**6305541665**, BBMP Old Khata No. **74-2-143/2**, Old Municipal No. **143/2,** measuring **192.9** Sq. Mtrs (**2076.5** Sq. Feet) of super built-up area, in the First Floor of the residential Apartment Building known as **"H.M LEXINGTON AVENUE"**, constructed in the Schedule 'A' Property, together with Undivided Share (UDS) measuring **987.2 Sq. feet or 12.34%** in the land along with **TWO** independent covered car parking space **No. 1 and 2** in the Stilt/basement floor, along with proportionate undivided share in the Water, electricity, sewerage amenities and all common areas such as passages, lobbies, lift/s, staircase/s and other areas of common use, the walls are built out of Brick and Cement with Vitrified Flooring with wooden Doors and Aluminum Glazed Windows and RCC roofing, It has Electricity Connection.

M/s. B.M. Associates
Advocates & Consultants
No. 7/1, Top Floor, G.J. Complex, 100 feet Road, Indiranagar I stage, Bangalore-560 038.

Post the powerplay, teams have increasingly turned to spin against the co-hosts because of a worrying lack of intent; it hasn't cost them yet but it may well in the games to follow

SLOW AND UNSTEADY VERSUS SPIN

GOMESH S @ Ahmedabad

POST the batting powerplay against the Netherlands on Wednesday, the score was 51/2, with Tilak Varma and skipper Suryakumar Yadav in the middle. Despite the early dismissal of openers, India had managed to finish the powerplay strongly, but a bigger challenge awaited.

Through this tournament, the defending champions have struggled to sustain the momentum after the powerplay, especially against spinners. And it was something the opponents had taken note of. Netherlands had used spinners up front to get rid of Abhishek Sharma and Ishan Kishan, and they knew neither Surya nor Tilak had been fluent against spinners. In came Colin Ackermann, who delivered a boundary-less seventh over. He helped halt the momentum, something Bas de Leede and Logan van Beek built on. The hosts lost momentum, going from 51/2 in six overs to 74/2 at the halfway mark. To be precise, they managed 25 runs in the 7-11 over window. And in the process, also lost Tilak. Surya, too, couldn't kick on as he did against the USA and fell shortly after. Thankfully for India, Shivam Dube stepped up and took India close to 200, which helped them beat the Netherlands by 17 runs.

This phenomenon of slowing down after the first six overs is not a one-off for India. It has been a problem for them and Tilak and Surya are at the centre of it. Whenever they have batted together, teams have taken that as a cue to bring on spinners, and the duo have struggled to attack the tweakers. Netherlands did the same after watching the struggle against spin in Colombo. De Leede said as much after the match.

The numbers tell the same story. In the four matches so far, India have batted with a strike rate of 106.67 against spinners between overs 7-10. In these four overs, they have played 41.66 percent dot balls against spin, with a boundary every 8.5 deliveries. India assistant coach Ryan ten Doeschate acknowledged the issue against finger-spin post powerplay, but believed it was a trend across teams. He attributed it to pitches not being as flat and felt that it would become a differential point in the second half of the tournament.

"You think about IPL cricket and a lot of the bilateral series, the pace of the inning seems to just carry through from the powerplay. Whereas across all the games, maybe particularly in Sri Lanka, but certainly in India as well, you seem to get out of the blocks pretty quickly and then batting becomes slightly more difficult in the middle phase. Teams are getting really clever now. And obviously teams are bowling a lot of finger-spin to us with having so many left-handers in our line-up. That is a challenge," the Dutchman explained.

Even if it is a general phenomenon, India's troubles seems to be bigger than the rest. Till Wednesday, the overall batting record against spinners in the 7-10 over phase is much better than India's. So far, batters have a strike rate of 123.12 against spin in the four-over period and the overall dot-ball percentage (31.59) is ten percentage points lower than that of the co-hosts. Splitting it individually, Surya strikes at 81.48 against spin in overs 7-10 while Tilak's SR drops down to 60 in this period.

Though this is the first time India are fielding as many left-handers in a T20 World Cup, the spin issue in the middle-overs is not new. In the 2022 T20 World Cup, India's strike rate against spin in overs 7-10 was 104.76. The average was better (44), and the dot-ball percentage was lower (30.95), thanks to Virat Kohli's prolific running between wickets. However, India hit a boundary every 14 deliveries against spin in this period.

That is an issue the then captain Rohit Sharma and head coach Rahul Dravid identified and worked towards in the next couple of years. They understood the need to redefine intent and ensure India had the right players for the right phase of play. Enter Axar Patel and Dube. The two left-handers had specific roles to bash spin post powerplay. Hardik Pandya became the designated finisher in death overs. The results were there to see in the 2024 T20 WC. In overs 7-10, India's strike rate against spin increased to 124.5, with a boundary coming every 7.8 deliveries. And the key batter among the lot was Axar, who had a strike rate of 150, and Dube hit at 137.5 post Rohit's 160 SR. It is impossible to ignore the game-changing knock Axar played in the final against South Africa after the early collapse.

In the two years that have followed, both Axar and Dube have only grown in stature and skill, but India have not nailed their entry points in this World Cup. They are yet to face a single ball of spin in the first ten overs.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

BATTING RECORD AGAINST SPIN IN OVERS 7-10 DURING T20 WCs

Year	Runs	Balls	AVG	SR	BPB#	Dot ball %
India in 2022	88	84	44	104.76	14	30.95
India in 2024	127	102	63.5	124.5	7.8	31.37
India in 2026*	64	60	32	106.67	8.5	41.66
All teams in this WC	1438	1168	38.86	123.12	7.84	31.59

* Till India vs Netherlands on Wednesday Feb 18 # BPB(Balls per boundary 4&6s)

Lighting up the WC from stands

GOMESH S @ Ahmedabad

WHEN the United States of America took on the Netherlands at the MA Chidambaram Stadium, Chennai, on Friday, it was the first evening game at the venue. Close to 19000 fans had already filled up the stands, bringing Chepauk to life.

It had been a theme throughout this ongoing men's T20 World Cup. Chennai, yet to host an India game, on average, has seen close to 20,000 fans turn up across five games till Wednesday. The highest of the first four was 24991 when New Zealand played Afghanistan on a Sunday morning.

On Friday evening, for an all-associate contest, fans had turned up in numbers, cheering for the Netherlands and the USA. One of them was Arjun, an engineering college student from Chennai, who came with a placard that read, "Winner gets New York. Oranje Boven!!!," referring to the historical connection between New York and the Netherlands.

Arjun, an avid follower of the sport and associate teams, had also hoped to run into Daniel Beswick, a cricket journalist who writes on associate teams and is also part of the ICC Digital team. "We've been following him on social media for a long time, and we were aware of who he was. A few friends of mine and I have been following his blog for a long time, and we follow him on Twitter (X.com). Twitter has been excellent for me to follow associate cricket," Arjun tells this daily.

There were other fans in the stands who were regular followers of The Emerging Cricket Podcast, asking for Beswick and Tim Cutler, CEO of Vanuatu Cricket Association and co-founder of the podcast. Chants of USA, USA and for the Netherlands emerged as the American nation went on to beat the Dutch by 93 runs. "I was very, very pleasantly surprised to see the Netherlands chants in the crowd. I think the USA stands were coming from the KMK stand and some of the lower stands. I was in C lower. But there was a very significant Netherlands-Netherlands chant which was picking up. I think it was some students who sort of kicked it off. Yeah, it was overall very nice to listen to," Arjun recalls.

Not just on Friday, fans have turned up consistently to cheer for the non-India games in Chennai, reiterating the deep-rooted history and fandom the city has with the sport. And it is not just Chennai. Other main cricketing centres in the country have also seen a similar trend. Mumbai, which has hosted five games till Monday, including an India game, on average, have seen close to 20000 fans coming in. Apart from the fact that Mumbai always shows up for cricket, the fact that Nepal played all their games at the venue meant the travelling fans had turned up in thousands to cheer for their team.

Big fanfare in India so far

Altogether, more than 5 lakh fans came in to watch the 24 matches held across five venues in India till Wednesday. This reiterates cricket's following in India, especially in the main centres with rich history.

In Kolkata, the average turnout at Eden Gardens has been close to 21000, with the England versus Scotland game seeing the biggest crowd so far at the venue. The Arun Jaitley Stadium, which hosted India versus Namibia, has seen close to 13,500 fans on average so far. Weekday matches between associate teams may have had lower turnout, but a 15,583-strong crowd showed up for the South Africa-UAE game on Wednesday. Ahmedabad, which had hosted only three games till Monday, has seen an average turnout of 29,300 with close to 55,000 fans filling up one of the biggest venues in the world for South Africa versus New Zealand. It was eclipsed when India played the Netherlands at the venue on Wednesday, with more than 65,000 filling the stands.

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CROWD ATTENDANCE AT THIS T20 WC IN INDIA*

	Chennai	Kolkata	Delhi#	Ahmedabad#	Mumbai#
Capacity (Approx)	35000	65000	35000	130000	33000
No. Of Games	5	4	5	4	6
Avg Crowd (Approx)	20347	20124	13684	34138	21305
Percentage	58.13	30.96	39.10	26.26	64.56

* Till Feburary 18
\# Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Delhi have hosted one India game each

WEST INDIES EASE PAST ITALY

KOLKATA: The West Indies tuned up for the Super Eights in perfect fashion on Thursday with a comfortable 42-run victory over Italy in their final group match in Kolkata. After being asked to bat, the West Indies captain **Shai Hope** scored 75 off 46 balls with four sixes to help his side post 165-6 in the dead rubber Group C clash. They then easily defended the total by bowling out Italy for 123 off 18 overs. Italy finished with one win in four matches at their debut World Cup, and Hope said it wasn't easy when his side did not know many of the opposition players.

BRIEF SCORES: WI 165/6 in 20 ovs (Hope 75, Chase 24, Rutherford 24 n.o) **bt** Italy 123 in 18 ovs (Ben Manenti 26, Smuts 24; Joseph 4/30; Forde 3/19).

ZIMBABWE POST 6-WICKET WIN OVER LANKA

COLOMBO: T20 World Cup surprise package Zimbabwe beat Sri Lanka by six wickets in Colombo on Thursday to finish the group stage unbeaten and carry some winning momentum into the Super Eights. Chasing 179 they finished 182-4 with three balls to spare against the co-hosts at the R. Premadasa stadium in Colombo. Ranked 11th in the world, Zimbabwe upset former champions Australia last week. Sri Lanka open their Super Eights campaign against England in Kandy on Sunday, while Zimbabwe will face the West Indies in Mumbai on Monday.

BRIEF SCORES: SL 178/7 in 20 ovs (Nissanka 62, Rathnayake 44) **lost to** Zimbabwe 182/4 in 20 ovs (Bennett 63, Raza 45, Marumani 34; Hemantha 2/36).

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LIVE ON STAR SPORTS AND JIOHOTSTAR

Zadran and Nabi the standouts as Afghanistan end campaign on a high

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @ Chennai

AFGHANISTAN opener Ibrahim's Zadran's unbeaten 56-ball 95 and Mohammed Nabi (4/7) helped Afghanistan to a 82-run victory over Canada in Group D of the T20 World Cup at the MA Chidambaram stadium on Thursday.

Having been ousted from the World Cup, Afghanistan captain Rashid Khan had said before the game that his team will play with all seriousness and sign off with a win. Zadran's knock helped ensure that his nation ended their campaign with a victory. "I didn't play the kind of cricket I expected from myself in the first two innings, but I always had the confidence that I would come back stronger for Afghanistan in the last two games. Today was my day — I just wanted to back my skills and believe in myself. There's always pressure and expectation, but I enjoy putting myself in those situations and embracing the challenge. I tried to stay positive, rotate the strike well, capitalise on the bad balls, and build a strong partnership with my batting partner, and I'm glad it worked out," Zadran, who dedicated his player of the match award to head coach Jonathan Trott, told the broadcaster.

Afghanistan's Ibrahim Zadran hit an unbeaten 95 against Canada | ASHWIN PRASATH

Chasing 200, Canada had a disastrous start. Mujeeb Ur Rahman castled Dilpreet Bajwa with a brilliant googly. Navneet Dhaliwal's farewell knock ended in a heartbreak as he was dismissed for a duck. Even Yuvraj Samra, who scored a memorable ton against New Zealand a few days ago at the same venue, couldn't do much. **BRIEF SCORES:** Afghanistan 200/4 in 20 ovs (Zadran 95 n.o, Atal 44; Jaskaran 3/52) **bt** Canada 118/8 in 20 ovs (Thaker 30, Zafar 28; Nabi 4/7).

Full story: newindianexpress.com

CFC go down vs Mumbai

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

CHENNAIYIN FC's Indian defender Pritam Kotal's own goal gave Mumbai City FC a narrow 1-0 win in the Indian Super League in Mumbai on Thursday.

Chennaiyin weathered early pressure in a cagey opening, with both sides trading challenges and early bookings in their battle for control. Mohammad Nawaz was called into action twice in the opening quarter, punching clear under pressure before producing a superb stop in the 18th minute to deny Jorge Pereyra Diaz.

Mumbai's sustained pressure paid off early in the second half. Kotal inadvertently headed in a cross off Mumbai's Joni Kauko into his own net, to give the hosts the lead. After that, the hosts opted to preserve their lead. Chennaiyin made forays into Mumbai's box, but could not find an equaliser.

Clifford Miranda's men will be hoping to forget this setback and put up an improved show when they face Mohun Bagan Super Giant in Kolkata on Monday.

Friday's tie: Mohammedan SC vs FC Goa.

K'taka put Uttarakhand to dust, enter Ranji final

CHANDRA PRABHU @ Chennai

THEIR semifinal against Uttarakhand might have ended in a draw but eight-time champions Karnataka entered their 15th Ranji Trophy final, first time since 2014-15 season, by virtue of first innings lead over their opponents in Lucknow on Thursday. They will play Jammu and Kashmir in the final scheduled to begin at Hubballi from February 24.

After being sent in to bat, skipper Devdutt Padikkal (232) slammed a double-century while KL Rahul (141) and Ravichandran Smaran (135) hit a hundred each as Karnataka posted a mammoth total of 736 in their first innings. Vidyadhar Patil and Vijaykumar Vyshak scalped three wickets each as Karnataka skittled out Uttarakhand for 233. Instead of enforcing follow on, they decided to bat and scored 323 setting an improbable target of 827 on the last day. Head coach Yere Goud explained the reason behind the decision to bat again. "It gave us the opportunity to probably demoralise the opponents by making them field for two and a half days. It will be even more difficult for them to come back and bat," he told this daily after the match. Another reason, he pointed out, was that the bowlers already had bowled for more than 80 overs in Uttarakhand's first innings. "If we had got them by 50 overs, then we could have thought of bowling again. We also thought we might have to bowl on the final day and wanted to see how the bowlers get that rhythm with two over spells, five over spells," he explained.

Karnataka players celebrate a wicket against Uttarakhand on Day 5 | PTI

BRIEF SCORES: Karnataka 736 & 323 in 74.3 ovs (KL Rahul 86 n.o; M Mishra 4/69) **drew with** Uttarakhand 233 & 260/6 in 62 ovs (A Sudha 66, A Negi 57 n.o; S Gopal 3/83); *Karnataka won on 1st innings lead.*

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Bodo's fairytale continues in CL

AFP @ Paris

NORWAY'S Bodo/Glimt stunned Inter Milan in the Champions League on Wednesday, beating last season's runners-up 3-1 in the first leg of their knockout phase play-off tie after Anthony Gordon scored four as Newcastle United hammered Qarabag 6-1 in Azerbaijan.

Elsewhere Atletico Madrid were held by Club Brugge in a thrilling 3-3 draw, while Bayer Leverkusen took a big step towards reaching the last 16 by beating Olympiacos 2-0 away in Greece. Bodo/Glimt, Norwegian champions in four of the last six years, made it to this stage after some impressive results during the league phase, including wins at home to Manchester City and away to Atletico in their last two games.

The club from north of the Arctic Circle were therefore not afraid of the current Serie A leaders and went in front on 20 minutes through Sondre Brunstad Fet. Francesco Pio Esposito equalised on the half-hour mark for three-time European champions Inter, the goal standing after a VAR check despite an apparent handball in the build-up. However, Bodo/Glimt went back in front just after the hour when Kasper Hogh's brilliant lay-off set up Jens Petter Hauge to score, and Hogh found the net himself three minutes later.

The result leaves Inter, who lost 5-0 to PSG in last season's Champions League final, facing a big challenge to overturn their two-goal deficit in next Tuesday's return leg at San Siro. The winners of the tie will play either Manchester City or Sporting of Portugal in the last 16 next month.

Newcastle made short work of Qarabag on their long trip to Baku, with the outstanding Gordon netting two penalties among his four goals on the night — he now has 10 goals in nine matches in this season's Champions League, a tally bettered only by Real Madrid's Kylian Mbappe on 13. Gordon's clinical finish gave Newcastle a third-minute lead at the Tofiq Bahramov Republican Stadium, and Malick Thiaw headed in for 2-0 after just eight minutes.

RESULTS: Qarabag **1-6** Newcastle; Bodo/Glimt **3-1** Inter Milan; Club Brugge **3-3** Atletico Madrid; Olympiacos **0-2** Bayer.

Nagal exits in second round

AGENCIES @ New Delhi

INDIA'S No 1 men's singles player Sumit Nagal was knocked out in the second round of the ATP Delhi Open 2026 on Thursday, losing to sixth seed Federico Cina of Italy. In the doubles draw, top seeds Siddhant Banthia (India) and Alexander Donski (Bulgaria) advanced to the quarterfinals. The ATP Challenger 75 event, now in its sixth edition, is being held at the DLTA Complex.

Cina, an 18-year-old ranked No 225 in the world, sealed a 6-4, 6-4 win. In the doubles draw, the top-seeded duo of Banthia and Donski advanced to the quarterfinals with a 6-2, 6-3 win over Francis Casey Alcantara and Courtney John Lock.

EXPRESS READ

Hero WPGT: Ridhima triumphs

PUNE: Ridhima Dilawari hit a superb bogey-free three-under 68 to win the fourth leg of the Hero Women's Pro Golf Tour at the Poona Club Golf Course here. This was Ridhima's second win this season. Ridhima carded 68 and totalled 3-under 208 and finished six clear of Vani Kapoor (75).

Australia defeat India by 19 runs

CANBERRA: A record opening stand between Georgia Voll and Beth Mooney paved the way for Australia to level a three-match T20I series with a 19-run win against India in the second match here. Voll and Mooney added 128 runs for the first wicket as Australia posted 163 for 5. India ended with 144/9.

Arsenal suffer blow in title race

LONDON: Arsenal's Premier League title challenge suffered a major blow as they squandered a two-goal lead and conceded a stoppage-time equaliser in a damaging 2-2 draw at Wolves on Wednesday. Rivals Man City are just five points behind Arsenal and have a game in hand.

Viksit Bharat
Viksit Arunachal

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National Highways 143%	1,043 km.		2,538 km.
Rural roads 251%	3,826 km.		13,433 km.
Electrification 104%	1.48 lakh households (49%)		3.02 lakh households (100%)
Functional Household Tap Connections 903%	22,796 households (9.9%)		2,28,566 households (100%)

GSDP 134.74% increase

₹ 47,823 Cr (2024-25)
₹ 20,373 Cr (2016)

State Budget 226.72% increase

₹ 38,081.05 Cr (2024-25)
₹ 11,655.41 Cr (2016)

Per Capita Income 111% increase

₹ 2,46,813 (2024-25)
₹ 1,16,985 (2016)

17,781 (2024-25)
7,365 (17-18)

GST Taxpayers 141.43% increase

₹ 1,846.19 Cr (2024-25)
₹ 277.94 Cr (2016)

GST Collections 709.95% increase

₹ 4,016.71 Cr (2024-25)
₹ 927.19 Cr (2016)

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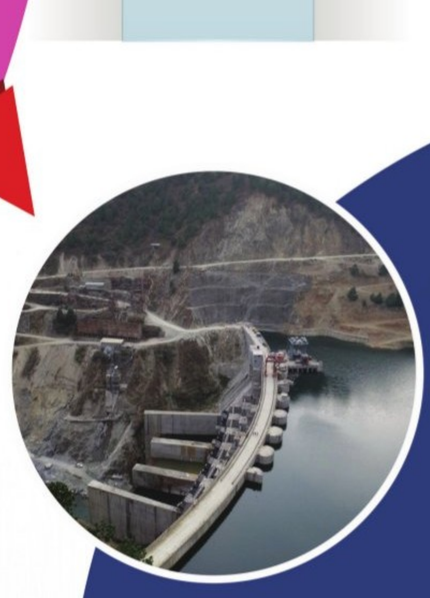

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